him to Etna. She complied with his ... and they started. Coleman remarked ... relatives of Miss H., who were just ... a hand-car to the village, that they would ... at Etna about the same time. In a very ... time after starting, Coleman returned with ... H. a corpse in the buggy! In reply to ... questions from relatives, he first stated ... team had started to run away, and, ... the buggy, had thrown the lady out, killing ... instantly, but a few moments afterward ... response to the remark of a brother ... unfortunate girl, "You have murdered ... ter," Coleman protested that Miss H. ... come frightened and jumped from the ... killing herself in the fall. After the corpse ... removed from the buggy, Coleman drove ... to Neosa, delivered up the team to the ... and disappeared, and has not been heard ... since. An inquest is being held to-day ... day), when further particulars may be ... to light. A rumor prevails, this morning, ... chloroform was administered to the girl, as ... were no marks of violence to be found on ... body.

A SUGGESTION TO BUILDERS.

A timely suggestion to some of the pro... tors of incompleted buildings may save ... immense trouble in the future. There are ... many handsome blocks, finished and unfinished ... whose foundations are not protected by ... walks or anything else. We would recommend ... them to place a thick layer of manure on ... such foundations to keep out the frost ... by next spring unpleasant fissures will ... pear in the stone, which will be ... to powder by the superincumbent weight ... of the buildings. The action of ... frost on unseasoned sand-stone can be seen ... in the southern block of that material ... ing the porch of Andrews' building on La... street, between Madison and Monroe. A ... crack, caused by the action of frost, has split ... enormous stone down the centre, dividing it ... evenly as no artificial process could have done. ... This stone when freshly quarried is extremely ... porous, and absorbs moisture readily. ... frost does the rest more readily still.

THE CITY IN BRIEF.

Dinners in aid of the Foundling's Home will be ... on every day this week at Nos. 116 and 118 Fifth ... street, between Madison and Washington.

The Registry Department of the Post Office ... hereafter close at 6 instead of 6 p. m. as formerly ... will be open as usual at 8 a. m.

R. W. Osborn, local Agent for the Orient Insurance ... Company, received a letter from the President of the ... Company yesterday, ordering him to cease writing ... policies on Elevators in the city, stating, as a reason ... that the recent developments in the Munn & Scott ... case showed that it was impossible to tell what ... property represented as being in the Elevators was ... there or not.

The dramatic class conducted by Mrs. Cowell at ... the West Side Rooms of the Christian Union, was well attended. Last Saturday night the large room was filled, and the class went through with the "Merchant of Venice," quite creditably. They intend to produce "As that Glitters Not Gold," in costume, for the holidays. It is impossible to tell how many incipient *Romeos*, *Shylocks*, *Hamlets*, *Richards*, and *Lady Macbeths* there contains; but the number would seem to be a formidable one.

—Coal was discovered in England in 1234, a first dug under a charter granted the town of Newcastle by Henry III. It was first used about 1260. Dyers, brewers, etc., began to consume it extensively in 1356. In consequence an application from the nobility and gentry, in ward IV., in 1306, published a proclamation against it as a public nuisance.

—The London *Times*, in view of the great increase of drinking in England, exclaims: "Among all the writers, all the talkers, all preachers, all the workers, all the names widely blazoned on the roll of English fame, is there none that will set about to abate this nuisance and scandal—our national drunkenness?"

MARRIED.

FRASE—OSGOOD—In Woburn, Mass., Nov. 28, Rev. Stephen G. Abbott, of Wollaston Heights, to Rev. Fanny E. Frase, of Chicago, Ill., and Miss Augusta Osgood, of Woburn.

JOHN—THOMAS—In Hinsdale, on the 26 inst., Rev. Prof. Arnold, of the Baptist Union Theological Seminary, Chicago, Ill., Mr. Franklin D. John, of Ann Arbor, Mich., and Miss Ellen A. Thomas, of Albany, N. Y.

DIED.

CASSELS—At his residence, No. 36 Cassbert-st., Nov. 30, James N. Cassels, M. D., aged 55 years. The funeral will be held Dec. 2, at his house in Rock, Wis.

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YOUTHS, YOUTHS, YOUTHS,

THE INTERIOR.

Report of the Secretary of the Interior Department.

The Public Lands---Patents---Pensions---Railways.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Oct. 31, 1872.

PUBLIC LANDS.

During the last fiscal year public lands were disposed of as follows:

	Acres.
Cash sales	1,370,350.18
Located with military warrants	320,460.00
Taken for homesteads	4,671,392.14
Located with college scrip	693,613.27
Grants to railroads	5,554,897.58
Grants to wagon-roads	403,347.21
Approved to States as swamp	714,256.19
Indian scrip locations	5,760.00
Total	14,334,975.64

a quantity greater by 1,099,270.25 acres than was disposed of the previous year. The cash receipts under various heads amounted to $6,218,100. During the same period there were surveyed 12,016,609 acres, which, added to the quantity already surveyed, amounts to 589,964,750 acres, leaving unsurveyed an area of 1,251,633,920 acres.

The reports of the United States Surveyors General all make mention of the fruitfulness of the soil during the past season, and the increased yield of all manner of produce. Even in those States and Territories where mining is the principal pursuit, the agricultural products have so far exceeded the local demand as to cause large shipments of cereals to the Eastern States. The Commissioner's suggestions in reference to the propriety of consolidating into one statute the principal features of the Preemption and Homestead laws, are, in my judgment, specially worthy of the attention of Congress.

PATENTS.

Needed reforms have been made in the condition of the Patent Office during the last year, the most noticeable and important of which is the abolition of the old form of Patent Office reports, and the substitution therefor of the Official Gazette of the Patent Office. Defective as the old reports were, and published from two to three years after the date of the issue of the patents reported in them, their discontinuance seemed to greatly alarm the inventors and manufacturers of the country, and the demand for their restoration, or an adequate substitute, was so great as to require prompt action in that direction. During the last session of Congress authority was given for the publication of the Patent Office Official Gazette, comprising the Commissioner's decisions, the decisions of the Supreme Court and the Circuit Courts in patent cases, all changes in the rules and practice of the office, notice of all applications for extension of patents, a brief of the specifications, and the full claims of all the patents issued, together with such illustrations, taken from the drawings of the patents, as would give to the public a clear idea of what is patented. It will thus be seen that these publications embrace very much more than was contained in the old Patent Office reports; and, instead of being two or three years behind dates as the old reports were, they are issued within three days of the delivery of the letters patent. This work seems to meet the demand, and is received with universal favor.

The number of applications for patents, including re-issues and designs, during the year ended Sept. 30, 1872, was 19,537; the number of applications for extension of patents, 284; the number of applications for the registering of trademarks was 582. During the same time there were issued 15,828 patents, 288 extensions, 556 certificates of registry of trade-marks, and 2,100 caveats have been filed. This shows a small increase over the number of the preceding year. The fees received during the same period, from all sources, amounted to $700,954.36, and the total expenditure to $623,583.90, making the receipts in excess of the expenditures to the amount of $77,590.96.

It will at once be perceived that the addition of about 20,000 applicants for patents every year must greatly increase the work of the office. Over 300,000 applications for patents have been filed since 1839, and about 130,000 patents have been granted. The drawings, models, and files accompanying these applications must be so classified and arranged as to facilitate access to them, otherwise there would be constant danger of duplicating patents upon the same invention, and each year's accumulation adds largely to the danger. The office is now being administered under substantially the same law and the same general organization adopted at its inauguration, when only from 100 to 500 applications were made per annum.

The office has outgrown the plan of organization that was sufficient for it then, and a new organization has become absolutely necessary to secure to inventors and the country the benefits of our patent system. I invite attention to the communication forwarded to Congress suggesting a reorganization of the Patent Office.

The Commissioner urges the importance of a separation of the Patent Office from the Department of the Interior. This matter is embraced in the bill now pending before Congress for a reorganization of the Bureau. Another subject to which attention is earnestly invited is the necessity for more room for the work of the Patent Office. A plan has been devised by which it is thought the model-gallery will be sufficient, in all time to come, to store such models as it may be desirable to retain in the office, but for the working force and the necessary files of the office there is great want of room. It is impossible to transact the business of the office, with safety to the inventors or the manufacturing interests of the country, excepting with more room in which to arrange the files and drawings that must be consulted hourly in the transaction of office business.

PENSIONS.

There are now on the pension rolls the names of 578 widows of soldiers who served in the Revolutionary War, a decrease of 56 since the last annual report. The names of 1,157 widows and children of soldiers who served in the wars subsequent to the Revolution and prior to the late Rebellion, excepting the war of 1812, are borne on the rolls, being 57 less than the preceding year.

During the last fiscal year there were examined and allowed 6,317 original applications for invalid pensions of soldiers, at an annual aggregate rate of $424,626.50, and 5,116 applications for increased pension of invalid soldiers, at an aggregate yearly rate of $261,165.50. During the same period, 7,120 original pensions to widows, orphans, and dependent relatives of soldiers were allowed at an aggregate annual rate of $350,798, and 220 applications of the same class for increase of pension were admitted, at a total annual rate of $15,853.35. The number of claims, original and increase, admitted during the year, was 18,843, and the annual amount of pensions thus granted was $1,052,433.85. On the 30th day of June, 1872, there were on the rolls the names of 96,405 invalid military pensioners, whose pensions annually amounted to $8,611,854.91, and 113,518 widows, orphans, and dependent relatives of soldiers, whose yearly pensions amounted to $14,830,778.39, making an aggregate of 208,923 army pensioners, at a total annual rate of $23,442,633.30. The whole amount paid during the last fiscal year to invalid military pensioners was $10,148,145.49, and to widows, orphans, and dependent relatives, $1,717,266.156.09, making a grand total of $27,411,301.51, which includes the expenses of disbursement.

During the same year, there were examined and allowed 151 original applications for invalid navy pensions, at an aggregate annual rate of $14,952; 65 applications of the same class for increase of pension, at a total yearly rate of $3,915; 124 new applications of widows, orphans, and dependent relatives of those who died in the navy, at an aggregate yearly rate of $18,494; and 6 pensions of the same class were increased at an annual rate of $654. On the 30th day of June, 1872, there were borne on the rolls of navy pensioners the names of 1,449 invalids, at an annual aggregate of $138,545, and of 1,730 widows, orphans, and dependent relatives, at an aggregate yearly rate of $269,208; making the whole number of such pensioners 3,179, at a total annual rate of $405,753. The aggregate amount paid during the last fiscal year to navy invalids was $149,442.85, and to widows, orphans, and dependent relatives, $295,186.57; a total amount of $444,629.42, which includes the expenses of disbursement.

On the 30th day of June, 1871, there were pending 20,190 applications of soldiers and widows of soldiers of the war of 1812. During the year subsequent to that date there were received 6,546 applications of survivors of that war, and 3,815 applications of widows, in all 10,361 applications, making a grand total of 30,551 claims for pensions of this description filed prior to June 30, 1872. Of these there were allowed, during the last fiscal year, 17,021 applications of survivors, at a total annual rate of $1,634,016; and 3,705 applications of widows, at an annual aggregate rate of $296,280, making a total of 20,126 claims allowed, at an aggregate annual rate of $1,930,096. Four thousand eight hundred and forty-five claims were rejected during the year, leaving 11,580 claims pending on the 30th of June last. On the 1st instant there were pending 8,184 claims, more than half of which are believed to be without merit, and will probably be rejected. The total amount paid during the year to survivors of the war of 1812, $1,977,415.54, and to widows, $335,968.63; a total amount of $2,313,409.47, including the expenses of disbursement.

The number of pensions of all classes, granted during the past fiscal year, was 33,838. During that period there were dropped from the pension-rolls, from various causes, 9,104 names, leaving a grand total of 293,229 pensioners on the rolls June 30, 1872, whose yearly pensions amount to $25,480,678.80. The amount paid during said year for pensions of all classes, including the expenses of disbursements, was $30,169,340.60, being $2,908,043.03 less than the amount paid during the preceding year.

Four hundred and forty-three bounty-land warrants were issued during the year, for 68,040 acres, being 338,120 less than the number of acres issued for the preceding year.

During the same period, 782 persons availed themselves of the benefits of the act of June 30, 1870, providing for artificial limbs and apparatus for resection, or commutation, of whom 458 preferred the latter.

On the 30th of June, 1872, there were on file, unadjusted, 37,176 claims for invalid pensions, 32,762 claims of widows, orphans, and dependent relatives, and 11,380 claims of soldiers and widows of soldiers in the war of 1812, making a total of 82,518 claims. The Commissioner estimates that the claims for pension on account of the war of 1812 will be disposed of by the 1st of March next.

The investigation of frauds continues to receive especial attention, with such gratifying results, both in the detection and repression of wrong-doing, as to demand a continuance of the present policy.

It is estimated that $30,480,000 will be required for the pension service during the next fiscal year.

RAILWAYS.

The subscriptions to the stock of the Union Pacific Railroad Company amount to $36,788,000, of which $36,762,800 has been paid. The receipts for the year ending June 30, 1872, from the transportation of passengers were $3,067,868.17; of freight, $4,122,631.20; and from miscellaneous sources, $771,711.41; total, $7,962,170.78. The entire cost of the road and fixtures to said date (unadjusted balances with contractors not included), was $114,258,535.97. The indebtedness of the Company at the same date, amounted to $76,804,512, of which $37,940,512 is due to the United States.

The Central Pacific Railroad Company, by consolidation, now embraces, besides the original Company of that name, also the Western Pacific, the San Francisco & Oakland, the San Francisco & Alameda, and the California & Oregon Companies. Stock to the amount of $59,644,000 has been subscribed, and $54,236,110 paid. The receipts for the year ending June 30, 1872, from transportation of passengers, were $3,620,519.53, and of freight, $6,753,246.75; total, $10,373,766.28. The expenses were $4,317,332.92, leaving net earnings to the amount of $6,056,433.61. At the close of said year the indebtedness of the Company amounted to $60,900,132.37, of which $27,855,630 was to the United States.

The stock subscription of the Central Branch Union Pacific Railroad Company is $1,000,000, of which $980,609 has been paid. The receipts for the transportation of passengers for the year ending June 30, 1872, were $60,807.65, and for freight, $63,665.03; total, $144,472.68. The expenses of the road and fixtures have been $5,728,700. The Company's indebtedness (exclusive of first mortgage bonds, $1,600,000, and the Government loan, $1,600,000) is $96,896.84.

The amount of stock of the Kansas Pacific Railway Company subscribed is $9,992,500, and the amount paid is $9,621,950. Receipts for the year ended June 30, 1872, from transportation of passengers, were $1,331,887.51; of freight, $2,156,190.21; and from miscellaneous sources, $79,660.75; total, $3,551,628.47. The construction account, &c., are not yet in a condition to render an accurate report of the amounts received from passengers and freight during the year. The expenses of the road and fixtures have been $11,481,467.70. The indebtedness of the company is reported to be $20,442,945.49. On the 20th of February last a map of preliminary route from the crossing of the Red River of the North, at Fargo, in Dakota, to a point opposite the mouth of the Walla-Walla River, Washington Territory, a distance of about 1,443 miles, was received by the Department. On the 1st instant Commissioners were ordered to examine and report upon the completed portion "from the junction with the Lake Superior & Mississippi Railroad, near Thomson, Minnesota, to the Red River of the North," a distance of about 226 miles. Their report has not been received. The company report that on the 30th ultimo cars passed over the track for a distance of 113 miles west of Red River. Track has recently been laid at the rate of 2¼ miles a day. The report states that, at the present rate of construction, the road would be completed to the Missouri River by the 4th prox. The character of the soil in Dakota, through which the road passes, is reported very good, adapted to grain and grazing, of an average excellence equal to Illinois lands. Water and timber abundant. Timber is scarce. The construction of buildings for depots, engine-houses, and water-stations is progressing rapidly. The work of the Company in establishing and preparing for construction the line of route to the Yellowstone River, and up that stream, was resumed during the year. The location of the line of route has been greatly retarded at various points by hostile Indians. The Company has this year surveyed and examined the Missouri River above the Great Falls, and determined that it is practicable for steamboat navigation up to Gilletin Forks, a distance of 220 miles. They have also found that a short railroad is practicable around these falls at small expense. Thus the whole course of the Missouri River can be made available to commerce, and to the settlement of the vast region it drains. Surveys have been in progress on the Salmon River line of Montana, making a connection therewith of the survey in progress on the Wisdom River line. The survey of the route from the Columbia River to Lake Pend d'Oreille was reported complete. It is also reported that 75 miles of the road from the Columbia River to Puget Sound will be in operation at the close of the season.

The road and telegraph of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Company, from the southern line of Kansas to the Arkansas River, a distance of 86.76 miles, was accepted by you on the 17th May last.

On the 28th of last March I accepted the first 50 miles of the Cairo & Fulton Railroad, extending from a point on the north bank of the Arkansas River, opposite the City of Little Rock, called "Argenia," to a point fifty miles north, called "Judsonia," near Little Red River."

On the 13th of December last, the seventh section of twenty miles of the Burlington & Missouri River Railroad, in Nebraska, was accepted by you. This section extends from the end of the one hundred and twentieth mile of said road, west of Plattsmouth. And on the 16th inst. Commissioners were ordered to proceed to the examination of an additional portion of forty miles, from the one hundred and fortieth mile to a connection with the Union Pacific Railroad. Their report has not yet been received.

On the 11th of March last you accepted the fifth and sixth sections of twenty miles each of the road and telegraph line of the Oregon & California Railroad Company. This portion, with the sections previously accepted, makes a length of line, already reported upon and accepted, of 120 miles, commencing at East Portland, Oregon, and ending at a station two and a half miles north-west of Eugene City.

On the 16th of February last I accepted the first section of twenty miles of the road and telegraph of the Oregon Central Railroad Company. This road is to run "from Portland to Astoria, and from a suitable point of junction near Forest Grove, to the Yamkill River, near McMinnville, in the State of Oregon."

THE PRESIDENT. C. DELANO, Secretary.

SCENE IN A COURT-ROOM.

A Crowd, Who Had Been Locked Out, Crashing in Through the Windows —The Court Powerless.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Nov. 28.

The telegraph briefly related the exciting scenes in Recorder Taylor's Court-room, last evening, at the examination of Henry Porter Tenison, the alleged bigamist. Such a scene has not been witnessed here in many years. The court-room, when closely packed, will not hold 100 persons, and yet, last night, a hooting and howling crowd of at least 1,000 wanted to get into it. City Hall square was almost filled with a dense mass of human beings swaying to and fro. Suddenly the door was opened and there was a tremendous rush. Men were trampled under foot, and there were loud curses and cries of pain. Nimble-footed young men climbed upon the high wardrobe of the policemen, and crawled along the top like monkeys, all such gaining good positions where they could look down upon the strange scene. Near the door is a large gas-burning stove, in which a good fire was burning. A rush was made for the top of that stove, and one young fellow managed to gain a good seat on top of the urn, but he was compelled to get down for the warmth.

The Court endeavored to proceed, but it could not, so great was the confusion. Suddenly a crash was heard, and in went the sash and glass of the west window, and a crowd of men tumbled through the aperture. This greatly increased the confusion. Another crash, and the sash and glass of the east window gave away, and another mass of human beings tumbled into the court room.

Here a loud voice cried, "I move we adjourn to the Court House!" Another voice exclaimed, "I second the motion!" and a third voice yelled, "All in favor of that say aye!" There was a tremendous shout of "aye," but it had no effect on the Court. In five minutes more partial order was restored, and the examination proceeded, but even then the confusion was so great that the reporters could hardly hear a word.

The fact of the marriage of Tenison to the Poughkeepsie lady was proved, and then Dewitt C. Spaulding, the Detroit witness, was called to the stand, and testified to the fact of Tenison having another wife.

Afterward counsel on both sides had an exhaustive discussion on points of law. When Jerome Williams, Esq., was speaking, there were frequent cries from the crowd in and out of the building, of "Go it, Jerome!" "Give it to him lively!" and when William Thorne, counsel for the prisoner, was speaking, there were cries of "Now you got him, Billy!" "Go in!" The Court was utterly powerless to suppress the contempt, as there were only policemen enough present to guard the prisoner. Finally an adjournment was ordered till 10 o'clock on Saturday morning. After the adjournment the prisoner was escorted to the jail by two officers. They were pressed closely by the immense crowd and Tenison was continually assailed with cries of "Hallot, old Canterbury!" "How are you, Duky?" "How's things, old boy?" &c. The jail was reached in safety and soon after Tenison retired to rest. To-day he has partaken of an excellent Thanksgiving dinner, sent him from the Forbus House, and passed the day quietly.

—A portrait of the Czar Alexander of Russia, painted by his order as a present for Hon. A. G. Curtin, late United States Minister to St. Petersburg, is on exhibition at Philadelphia. The painter was G. Boltmann, the most famous artist of the Russian capital.

—Miss Chat Hill, some time past a copyist in the office of Judge U. L. Martin, at Akron, O., has been promoted to the position of Deputy Clerk of the Probate Court of Summit County, same State.

—Two elderly ladies lately came into Deerfield, Mich., and framed and raised as good a house as there is in the neighborhood, not a bit of male labor being expended upon the structure. They have now set about levelling the "primeval forests."

—A Boston woman, who has been reading in the papers that Sunday marriages are illegal, writes to the papers to know how it is with a baby born on Sunday. If so, which should be punished—the father, the mother, or the baby?

CREDIT MOBILIER INVESTIGATION.

Oakes Ames' Letters to H. S. M'Comb.

Testimony of M'Comb in the Ames Law Suit.

On the first day of the present session of Congress, Speaker Blaine called Hon. S. S. Cox to the chair, and offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, Accusations have been made in the public press, founded on the alleged letters of Oakes Ames, a Representative from Massachusetts, and upon the affidavit of Henry S. M'Comb, a citizen of Wilmington, in the State of Delaware, to the effect that members of this House were bribed by Oakes Ames to perform certain legislative acts for the benefit of the Union Pacific Railroad Company by presents of stock in the Credit Mobilier of America, or by presents of a valuable character derived therefrom; therefore,

Resolved, That a special Committee of five members be appointed by the Speaker, *pro tempore*, whose duty it shall be to investigate and ascertain whether any member of this House was bribed by Oakes Ames or any person or corporation in any manner touching his legislative duty, and that the Committee be authorized to send for persons and papers.

Mr. Cox appointed Messrs. Poland, Banks, Beck, Niblack, and McCrary as such Committee.

OAKES AMES' LETTERS.

The following are the letters of Oakes Ames' and the memorandum made by M'Comb thereon:

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25, 1868.

H. S. McComb, Esq.:

DEAR SIR: Yours of the 23d is at hand, in which you say Senators Bayard and Fowler have written you in relation to their stock. I have spoken to Fowler, but not to Bayard. I have never been introduced to Bayard, but will see him soon. You say I must not put too much in one locality. I have assigned so far as I have gone (one four from Massachusetts; one from New Hampshire; one, Delaware; one, Tennessee; one half, Ohio; two, Pennsylvania; one, Indiana; one, Maine; *and I have three to place*, which I shall put where they will do the most good to us. *I am here on the spot, and can better judge where they should go.* I think after this dividend is paid we should make our capital $1,000,000, and distribute the new stock where it will protect us. Let them have the stock at par, and profits made in the future. The 50 per cent increase on the old stock I want for distribution here, and soon. Alley is opposed to the division of the bonds; says we will need them, etc., etc. I should think that we ought to be able to spare them with Alley and Cisco on the Finance Committee. We need to be able to borrow when we had no credit and debts pressing; we are now out of debt, and in good credit. What say you about the bond dividend? *A part of the purchasers here are poor, and want their bonds to sell to enable them to meet their payments on the stock in the C. M.* I have told them what they would get as dividends, and they expect I think—when the bonds the parties received as the 80 per cent dividend, we better give them the bonds. It will not amount to anything with us. Some of the large holders will not care whether they have the bonds or certificates, or they will send their bonds to the company, as they have done before, or lend them money. Quigley has been here, and we have got that one-tenth that was Underwood's. I have taken a half, Quigley a quarter, and gave a quarter to Colfax.

Judge Carter wants a part of it. At some future day we are to surrender a part to him. Yours truly, OAKES AMES.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30, 1872.

H. S. McComb:

DEAR SIR: Yours of the 23th is at hand, inclosing copy of letter from, or rather to, Mr. King. I don't understand the investigation there. What some of Durant's friends may do in New York can't be counted on with any certainty. You do not understand, by your letter, what I have done, and am to do, with my sales of stock. You say more to New York. I have placed some with New York, or have agreed to. You must remember that it was nearly all placed as you saw on the list in New York, and that there was but six or eight to form into place. I could not give all they wanted, or they might want, out of this. You would not want me to offer less than one thousand of it to any one. We allowed Durant to place $38,000 to some three or four of his friends, or keep it himself. *I have said this where it will produce most good, I think.*

In view of King's letter and Washburn's move here, I go on for making one bond dividend in full. We can do it with perfect safety. I understand the opposition to it comes from Alley. He is on the Finance Committee, and can raise money easy if we come short, which I don't believe we will, even if we do vote on the bonds to the company or loan them the money we got for the bonds. The contract calls for the division, and I say have it. When shall I see you in Washington? Yours truly,

OAKES AMES.

P. S.—We stand about like this:

Bonds first mortgage received on 625 miles at $16,000 per mile	$ 5,400,000
Bonds first mortgage received on 15 miles at $40,000 per mile	720,000
Bonds first mortgage received on 100 miles at $48,000 per mile	4,800,000
Ten million dollars sold and to sell to pay our debts	10,000,000
	$ 21,920,000
Eight per cent dividend on $3,100,000 Credit Mobilier	3,000,000
	$ 920,000
Government bonds received this day	960,000
Due from Credit Mobilier, on account, half cash	200,000
	$ 2,080,000

In addition to this, we can draw Government bonds for two-thirds of the work done in advance of the track if we desire it.

The following is in pencil on the Ames letter:

Oakes Ames' list of names, as shown to-day to me for Credit Mobilier, is:

BLAIR, of Maine	2,000
PATTERSON, of New Hampshire	2,000
WILSON, Massachusetts	2,000
PAINTER (Rep.), for Quigley	2,000
SCOFIELD, Speaker	2,000
SCOFIELD and KELLEY, Pa.	4,000 each.
ELIOT, Massachusetts	2,000
DAWES, Massachusetts	2,000
FOWLER, Tennessee	2,000
POTTER, Massachusetts	2,000
BINGHAM and GARFIELD, O.	2,000 each.

Indorsed: OAKES AMES, Jan. 30, 1868.

M'COMB'S TESTIMONY.

The following is an extract from the testimony of M'Comb in the lawsuit:

Q—What distribution of it [the Credit Mobilier stock] was made by Mr. Ames? A.—He gave it to members of Congress, Senators and Representatives.

Q—What was paid into the Creditor Mobilier for that stock which Mr. Ames distributed in the way you mention? A.—This stock which Mr. Ames took as Trustee had paid to it all the dividends of the Company from the date of the organization of the Company down to the time when that stock was delivered to him, and none of these proceeds, amounting to several hundred per cent in par value, were paid in. The par value only was paid in.

Q.—Do you mean by giving, that these shares were gifts in the nature of presents? A.—I do.

Q.—You understand, then, Mr. Ames to mean that these shares were to be presented without value paid to members of Congress? A.—I understand from Mr. Oakes Ames that they were substantially a gift, the parties to whom the stock was said to be appropriated receiving through him as their Trustee more than sufficient available assets as dividends to pay for the same, and that he, out of their assets, paid into Treasury the par value of the stock.

Q.—Do you mean to say that these persons had not previously agreed to subscribe for the stock as others had done? A.—I had no information on that point.

Q.—Did you understand Mr. Ames to mean that these persons were not entitled to these shares as subscribers or persons who had agreed to subscribe? A.—I understood no such thing.

Q—Did you understand from Mr. Ames what was the motive for allowing these persons to take this stock at par when it was so valuable that part of the dividends sufficed to pay the par value? A—*The motive, understood, was to secure the influence and support in Congress of the men to whom the stock was given.*

Q—Influence and support for what? A—*For anything affecting the Union Pacific Railroad Company in Congress.*

THE MEMORANDUM LIST OF NAMES.

In the month of September last, a correspondent of THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE interviewed Colonel M'Comb in reference to the list of names given to the latter by Oakes Ames. The following is a portion of the conversation:

"What were the circumstances under which you took that memorandum? Please repeat it."

Colonel M'Comb—"Why, I took it from Ames himself, he reading from the registry-book of the Credit Mobilier, to account to me for the stock he would not furnish, and, by accident, I made the memorandum at that moment on the back of one of Ames' own letters to me,—the same which has got into the testimony. That is how the thing leaked out. The letter was coerced from me in the course of litigation, and, being discovered, the memorandum was made public with it."

"Then the weakness of the evidence is in the fact that you alone wrote the memorandum, and nobody can get the stock-register to confirm your memorandum. At the same time, the very incompleteness of this evidence at law will be moral proof to thousands of men. It lacks the lawyer's arrangement, but what is missing in evidence carries most conviction."

Colonel M'Comb—"Ames might have made a false entry of the name of the Congressmen, or he might have dictated entries or names not on the register. I had no suspicion of such possibilities at the time. We were on fairly amicable terms; members of the same Company, and he read straight on, giving me time to copy the list."

"It seems to me, Colonel, that you are employing a formidable array of counsel for a very doubtful consequence. What do Ames, Dillon & Co. care for the Credit Mobilier charter now, having worn it out, and having no responsibility within the State of Pennsylvania longer. The Mobilier has about wound up; has it not?"

Colonel M'Comb—"No. It is still worth fifteen millions of dollars at least, and its charter is worth preserving."

"Are you still a stockholder?"

Colonel M'Comb—"Yes. I possess six [or sixty, correspondent not certain] shares, and my suit is not to get in, but to get my proportion of what I have paid for."

"Is Oakes Ames worth anything?"

Colonel M'Comb—"Yes. Three or four millions."

DENIALS OF THE CONGRESSMEN IMPLICATED.

As soon as the foregoing statements were published, Speaker Blaine published the following card denying the charge as regards himself:

To the Editor of the Kennebec Journal:

The sensational story in the Boston *Herald* of yesterday, in regard to my ownership in the *Credit Mobilier* of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, in connection with Secretary Boutwell, Senator Wilson, and Messrs. Dawes, Bingham, Garfield, and others of the House of Representatives, is a mere campaign *canard*, utterly baseless and groundless. I never owned a dollar in the Company in my life, either directly or indirectly, through myself or through another. I protest in this instance from my usual practice of suffering campaign slanders to pass without notice, because this particular falsehood is circumstantially narrated, and is, I understand, to be widely distributed over the Third District in order to influence the vote on Monday next.

Sept. 5. JAMES G. BLAINE.

Subsequently Mr. Dawes wrote the following letter:

PITTSFIELD, MASS., Sept. 11, 1872.

MY DEAR ROGERS: I thank you for denying as a false libel the charge of the New York *Sun*, so far as I am concerned. Neither Oakes Ames, nor any other man, dead or alive, ever gave me, directly or indirectly, a penny of the stock of the "Credit Mobilier," or of any other corporation in this world. I never owned a dollar or any stock or any property of any kind that I did not pay the full value of with my own money, earned by my own hands. Truly yours,

H. L. DAWES.

Mr. Colfax denied the charge as to himself in a speech at South Bend, and Messrs. Kelley, Wilson, and Garfield made similar denials. Finally, Oakes Ames delivered an address to his constituents, in which he denied that he had ever furnished any such list to M'Comb, but said nothing about the letters.

This is all the testimony that has been furnished to the public up to the present time. The lawsuit of M'Comb vs. Ames *et al.* was commenced about four years ago.

DEFERRED TELEGRAMS.

The Death of Mr. Greeley.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Mr. Greeley's remains will be removed from Mr. Sinclair's house to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock, and will be laid in state in the Governor's room at the City Hall, under a guard of honor. They will be placed on a catafalque in the centre of the room, and the public will be permitted to view the body for twelve consecutive hours, beginning at 9 a. m. The Governor's room has been appropriately decorated. The chief inscription is, "We remember his busy life." Floral tributes are pouring in. One is a large plow, composed chiefly of camellias, contributed by the employes of the *Tribune* office. The interior of Dr. Chapin's Church is undergoing transformation for the funeral ceremonies on Wednesday morning. A lofty floral arch is being erected, inscribed with Mr. Greeley's last words. A floral lyre with a broken string will be placed in his pew. The church will hold only about 1,500 persons. Seats will be reserved for President Grant, the Vice President, Senators Sumner, Trumbull, Schurz, and others. All indications are, that the funeral of the great friend of humanity and illustrious editor will be the largest, the most impressive, and the most spontaneous ever witnessed in the Metropolis.

The following is the programme of the funeral services in Dr. Chapin's Church. The musical part was selected by Miss Ida Greeley: Funeral march, Chopin; *De Profundis*, chant; reading of Scriptures; "I know that my Redeemer liveth," by Miss Clara Louise Kellogg; address by Henry Ward Beecher; "Sleep thy last sleep," quartette; address, the Rev. Dr. E. H. Chapin; prayer; "Angels ever bright and fair," Miss T. Werneke, soprano of St. Francis Xavier's Church; benediction. Organist, Dr. William Berge.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—The will of Mr. and Mrs. Greeley leaves all their property to their two daughters.

This evening the Liberal Republican General Committee, Tammany Society, Lincoln Club, and Union League Club adopted resolutions of regret on the death of Mr. Greeley, and expressive of sympathy for his family.

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—At the monthly meeting of the Baptist preachers, to-day, resolutions of respect on the memory of Horace Greeley, as one who had been a mighty conservator of the interests of freedom and humanity, were unanimously adopted.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 2.—Both branches of the City Council, to-night, passed resolutions expressing profound grief at the death of Mr. Greeley, and ordered a copy to be engrossed and sent to his family.

From Springfield, Ill.—The County-Seat Question in Cass County. The Epizootic.—Workingmen's Company.—Railroad Commissioners.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 2.—The returns from Cass County of the special election held on the 12th ult., to determine whether the county-seat should be moved from Beardstown to Virginia, were received at the office of the Secretary of State to-day. It will be remembered that the residents of Beardstown prayed for, and received, a temporary injunction, on account of alleged fraudulent ballots, restraining the officers of the county from counting the vote cast, on the trial, the injunction was dismissed by Judge Kellogg, and the vote was canvassed, resulting in 1,458 votes for removal, and 1,330 against removal. This does not settle the question, however; for, in anticipation of trouble and vexation, the law passed by the Twenty-seventh General Assembly expressly declares that the votes cast for removal of county-seats, to be conclusive, must be a majority of the whole vote of the county, and provide means of determining that fact, as the vote for removal in Cass County is not a majority of the whole, the question of county-seat removal would seem to be still a source of contention and strife.

The epizootic is here, though it is not general in its effects as yet; but most of the livery-stable keepers and Street-Car Companies, whose horses are not yet affected, have withdrawn their horses from work in anticipation of its attack. The Car Companies are running dummies over their lines, with which they make hourly, instead of half-hourly trips as heretofore. The disease here has revealed the fact that it has prevailed in the county for a week or more before it appeared in the city.

The Workingmen's Company, of Chicago, capital $16,000, has received permission from the Secretary of State to open books of subscription to its capital stock. F. W. Nye, G. D. E. Mar, and William Grover are the corporators. The Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners meet in this city to-morrow, to complete their annual report, and lay it before the Governor.

Indiana Legislature.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 2.

HOUSE.

Nine new bills were introduced; but, as there was not a quorum of members present, no other business was transacted. Among the bills introduced were the following: To make the interest on loans 6 per cent when not otherwise stipulated; to provide for a Convention to frame a Constitution for the State. It provides for the election, on the — day of May next, of a number of members of a Constitutional Convention equal to the present number of members of the General Assembly, to be elected in the same way and by the same constituencies that members of the Legislature are elected; the bill is voluminous, and provides for the election, qualification, pay, etc., of the members, the manner of organization and of their work, and for the mode of submitting their work to the people for ratification. To provide for a general system of schools in towns having a population of 8,000; for establishing public libraries; and to provide for the carrying on of the benevolent institutions of the State in case the Legislature fails to make necessary appropriations.

SENATE.

Resolutions in honor of the memory and public services of Horace Greeley were introduced and laid over until to-morrow for adoption. A motion was adopted to allow the short-hand reporters of the Senate proceedings the same quantity of stationery as is allowed members. Seven new bills were introduced, making 111 in all. A number of House bills were taken up and read a second time. Eighteen Senate bills were read a second time by title, and referred.

The Clerk of the Supreme Court reported that the number of cases on the docket, Jan. 1, 1871, was 700; number filed from that date to March 25, 1872, 1,041; number of cases decided and otherwise disposed of from that date till Nov. 25, 1872, 1,076; number of cases now on the dockets and undisposed of, 665.

Both houses adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Enforcement of the Sunday Laws.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

OTTAWA, Ill., Dec. 2.—Some of our German citizens are excited over what they consider a disposition on the part of our city authorities to prevent Sunday-night meetings at Turner Hall. Sunday evening, the 1st inst., a minstrel troupe was advertised to show, under the auspices of the Turner Society, at Turner Hall; but the managers stopped the entertainment, by serving upon the performers in the afternoon a notice forbidding their appearance.

National Debt Statement---Presidential Receptions---The United States Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.

Six per cent bonds	$1,543,134,950
Five per cent bonds	414,367,300
Total coin bonds	1,750,702,250
Lawful money debt	18,708,000
Matured debt	4,310,440
Legal-tender notes	358,135,649
Certificates of deposits	34,465,000
Fractional currency	15,726,620
Coin certificates	20,376,900
Total, without interest	446,604,239
Total debt	$2,209,204,929
Total interest	34,529,859
Cash in Treasury, coin	68,663,640
Currency	10,114,111
Special deposits held for redemption of certificates of deposits, as provided by law	34,465,000
Total in Treasury	103,186,751
Debt less cash in Treasury	2,140,568,030
Decrease during month	1,196,229
Bonds issued to Pacific Railroad Companies, interest payable in lawful money; principal outstanding	64,623,512
Interest accrued and not yet paid	1,818,587
Interest paid by United States	16,670,376
Interest repaid by transportation of mails, &c	3,953,459
Balance of interest paid by the United States	12,617,124

The President, during the winter, will devote from 10 to 12 o'clock daily, except Sundays, to Senators and members of Congress; and from 12 to 2, except on Tuesdays and Fridays, when Cabinet meetings will be held, he will receive by card.

The Supreme Court reassembled to-day, and immediately adjourned to pay its respects to the President.

Foreign News.

SWITZERLAND.

BERNE, Dec. 2.—In the session of the Federal Assembly of Switzerland, opened to-day, M. Roquin, of Lausanne, was elected President, and M. Kopp, of Lucerne, Vice President, of the Republic.

AUSTRIA.

VIENNA, Dec. 2.—It is reported that Count Von Longyay, Minister of Finance of the Empire, has tendered his resignation, which has been accepted. The other Ministers will remain in the Cabinet.

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, Dec. 2.—All the stokers employed by four or five of the largest Gas Companies in this city have struck work, ostensibly because two of their number were unfairly discharged. The Directors of the Companies warn the public to use as little gas as possible until the strike is ended.

AUSTRALIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.—The *Alex.* arrived from Honolulu to-day. Her latest dates are from Sydney, Oct. 25. The National Agricultural Fair was opened by Governor Melbourne, Oct. 23, and was well attended. The Free Education bill is likely to pass both Houses. Prince Philip, of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, who is now at Sydney, will go to China. His brother will accompany him. The cargo of Japanese produce arrived at Sydney Oct. 20, and consisted of rice, salt, and bricks. A sharp earthquake shock was felt Oct. 13. No damage was done, although the shock was general in many districts. The revenue received for the month by the Treasury of New South Wales was £1,922,152. An agitation has arisen in the Colony about taking appeals from the Courts to the Queen.

New York and Brooklyn Items.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Arrived, steamers Anglia from Glasgow, and Silesia, from Hamburg.

Van Sickel, the alleged poisoner of his wife, was arraigned in Brooklyn to-day, and pleaded not guilty. The trial will probably take place next month.

The bail of Woodhull and Claflin was reduced to $2,500 each, and they have been liberated.

Froude, the historian, is ill, and his lectures have been post poned.

Dr. Andrew Ottarson has been appointed Health Officer of Brooklyn.

Thomas Jeremiah, President of the Bowery Savings Bank, died this morning, aged 80 years.

Justice Fancher to-day denied a motion for a stay in the proceedings in the case of Henry Rogers, the murderer of a policeman in Brooklyn.

The Horse Disease.

CAIRO, Ill., Dec. 2.—The epizootic has made its appearance here. Nearly all the horses in one stable are more or less affected by the disease; also, several other cases are reported in different parts of the city; none fatal as yet.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 2.—The epizootic is rapidly disappearing under the genial influence of the weather, which is soft and springlike.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 2.—The Louisiana

generally condemned here. There are visitors in Salt Lake City to the amount of over $100,000.

Reports from the various mining districts indicate a mild winter. The snow at the present altitudes is not over ten inches deep. The roads for wagon and rails, are all open. The Union and Central Pacific trains are running regularly and generally on time. The prospects of the mining interest were never more favorable. Several rich strikes in the mines at Little Cottonwood are reported.

Sinking of a Steamer.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 2.—The steamer St. Joe grounded at the Chain, ten miles above here, on Saturday night. The Keithsburg was sent up to relieve her. After taking off the St. John's passengers and cargo, and as she was starting for St. Louis, she struck a rock and sunk, losing a large number of live hogs, a lot of wheat, &c. Her passengers were taken ashore safely. She was new. The Boston was sent up this afternoon to save what cargo and other valuables on board she can. The Keithsburg was valued at $10,000. She belonged to the Keokuk Packet Company, and was not insured.

Escape of Prisoners.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 2.—Two prisoners escaped this morning from the Western Penitentiary, Allegheny City. One of them, John Dumichaels, aged 29, a native of Scotland, by trade a coal-miner, was serving a sentence of six years and six months for manslaughter, committed in Allegheny County. The other, Leak Eyth, aged 35, native of New York, by trade a carpenter, was serving a sentence of 20 years, for larceny committed in Armstrong County. The men were confined in the same cell, from which they tunnelled under the outer wall to the street, a distance of about forty feet. Their escape was discovered very shortly after its occurrence. A reward of $50 each will be paid for their recapture.

Dead—Senatorial Nomination.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 2.—Whitfield, Conservative, from Tuscaloosa, is dead.

The Republicans have nominated Spencer to the Senate.

The North Carolina Senatorship.

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 2.—In the joint Assembly, the Conservatives made no nomination. The Republicans voted for Pool, who received 35; scattering, 107. Vance and Merrimon will be withdrawn from the contest by their friends.

The Mississippi River.

Navigation South will be partly resumed to-morrow, although there is still a good deal of ice in the river, and the water is very low.

Ohio Finances.

COLUMBUS, Dec. 2.—The annual report of the State Treasurer, sent to the Governor to-day, shows the balance in the Treasury, on Nov. 1, to have been $447,538. The receipts for the year were $4,615,989. Bonds have also been deposited for railroads under the Railroad act to the value of $2,483,320. These bonds were issued by forty-four counties, cities, and townships.

Canal Navigation Closed.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 2.—Canal navigation is closed by the weather.

Reported Arrest of a Bank President.

NEWBURGH, N. Y., Dec. 2.—It is reported that ex-Senator William M. Graham, President of the Wall Hall National Bank, of Middletown, N. Y., was arrested to-day, and taken to New York City, in charge of the United States Marshal.

The Boston Merchants' Exchange Building.

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—The Boston city authorities to-day, after examination of the Merchants' Exchange building, ordered the cessation of work in repairing it, because it would be unsafe for the Sub-Treasury or Post Office. The building must be reconstructed.

GALVA.

How It Is Recovering from the Recent Catastrophe.

Special Correspondence of The Chicago Tribune.

GALVA, Henry Co., Ill., Dec. 1, 1872.

This place, so recently visited by a disastrous and widespread conflagration, is just recovering from the first shock of the visitation. The loss to this community of 2,500 people will be $150,000, comprising the best part of their business centre. Among the buildings destroyed was Beck's Block, valued at $40,000, and so likely to be replaced at present. Fortunately, no churches, school buildings, or hotels were burned, but the blow falls heavily upon numerous small business men. Twenty families were burned out. There were, happily, no cases of extreme suffering; but the calamity falls severely upon an entire community, and must long be felt. Galva has, however, such railroad facilities, and wealth of agricultural surroundings, that she will sit down under the mishap. The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Company have allowed the building of temporary structures in their tract adjoining their line; and, in a small way, the business men of Galva are pushing Chicago in emergency-structures. Several brick structures are already progressing under plan, and there will be much rebuilding another season.

H. S.

PERSONAL.

Daniel Boone's sister Hannah is living in Caldwell County, N. C. She is 85 years old.

—Miss Dixon, a Southern lady of admirable skill in penmanship, writes with both hands simultaneously.

—Mrs. Temperance Anderson, a resident of Baden, Beaver County, Pa., has hair six feet and a half long. It is quite thick and fine and black in color.

—Louis, the handsome young King of Bavaria, is said to receive on an average fifty love-letters per week from desperate maidens who want to marry him.

—Our Minister at Athens and the King of Greece are said to be good companions, walking, driving, and dining together five days out of the week.

—S. B. Anthony will please take notice that Baltimore needs looking to. Her courts have decided that married women can't take out licenses to sell liquor.

—Calcasay still lingers in Paris, and is to be found at the cafe, club, opera, and hotels. His friends assert that he is still on the best terms with the Czar.

—The Duchess de Persigny, wife of the deceased favorite of Napoleon III. and daughter of the equally famous Prince de Moskowa, is going to be married again to a French advocate who is only a Commoner.

—The principal of the Okmulgee (Creek Nation, I. T.) Female Free School, Miss William and her first assistant, Miss Hattie Adkins, a Simon-pure Indian woman, born in the Territory, but educated, and well educated too, in Texas.

—Queen Victoria, when in Scotland, occasionally honors Mrs. Brown, the mother of her faithful Highland attendant, John Brown, with a visit. She has called on her three times this season. The old lady lives near Dundee.

—The King of Bavaria's refusal to take part in the late imperial festivities at Berlin, was due, it is said, to his great aversion to meeting the Princess Frederica Wilhelm, whom he jilted about eight months ago. "The way of the transgressor is hard."

—Dr. Louisa Atkins, a graduate of the Medical School of Zurich, is house-surgeon in the Birmingham and Midland (Great British) Hospital for Women, having successfully competed with a number of male applicants for the position.

—The wife of Colonel and ex-Speaker George W. Carter, of New Orleans, and last year's Louisiana Legislative imbroglio fame, has obtained a divorce from him from the Texas County, Va., Circuit Court.

Surveying the Boundary Between British America and the United States.

From the St. Paul Journal, Nov. 26.

Few school boys, we dare say, are acquainted with the fact that the boundary of the Northwest between British America and the United States is unknown. To settle this perplexing interested parties were appointed to perform the survey. Colonel Farquhar headed the American outfit and left this city Aug. 26, arriving at Pembina Sept. 3. Eight days later they commenced the survey. Six and one-half forty years ago a boundary line was established along the Lake of the Woods, but all marks of it are gone. Four years were spent in this section, when cold weather and the expenditure of $20,000, all that the American Commissioner was allowed; on the contrary, the English Commissioner had the sum of $50,000 for the comfort of his party. No boundary was fixed. The United States party returned to St. Paul Nov. 21. We should mention that Colonel Smand Green, with two companies of infantry, accompanied the party as protectors and workers in the field. Of the seven soldiers he crossed the Red River. One certain Arbaugh also went as far as Roseau River, laying there two days, and then received orders to return to Pembina. At this latter point Sept. 16, the snow was three inches deep.

EXPELLED.

Messrs. Munn & Scott No Longer Members of the Board of Trade.

One Hundred to Thirteen, and Ninety-Six to Ten, Cause Their Withdrawal.

Statement of Mr. George Armour Concerning the Transactions of M. & S.

A special meeting of the Board of Trade was held yesterday afternoon for the purpose of taking action on the following resolutions, adopted by the Board of Directors:

Resolved, That from the evidence submitted to this Board of Directors, on the complaint of H. C. Bannon, against Messrs. Munn & Scott, and from the admissions of the latter firm that Messrs. Munn and G. L. Scott, members of this Board had in the charges preferred by the Committee appointed to report to the Board of Trade, this Board is satisfied that Messrs. Munn & Scott have forfeited their membership of this Board.

Resolved, That a special meeting of the Board of Trade be held on Tuesday next, Dec. 3, at 3½ o'clock, p. m., to consider the case.

The President said complaint had been made against Messrs. Munn & Scott. Evidence had also been laid before the Directors, who found them guilty, and recommended their expulsion.

The charges and testimony were then read. The latter is as follows:

Mr. George Armour was sworn, and said that, on the 2d day of September last, Mr. Munn sent a message to him by Mr. Wheeler, that he wished an interview with him, intimating that he had some disclosures to make. In accordance with that request, they met at 10 o'clock in the evening at Mr. Armour's house. Mr. Munn told him that the affairs of Munn & Scott were in such a condition that they could not go on in the usual way, because they had considerable amount of peculations; that they had a considerable number of warehouse receipts put in with which they had not sufficient wheat to cover, and for which they had not sufficient wheat in the bins, and that, unless some arrangement was made by the next day, this paper would be thrown upon the market; and further, he wanted to ask questions about wheat, Mr. Munn said there were also short in other warehouses than those receipts were held by the public. In answer to questions, Mr. Armour said he has no means of knowing certainly the process by which the addition of things as stated was brought about. Munn & Scott's books were in a very disordered state; they had not been posted for several months, and since they had been in possession of the warehouses they had had a man at work on them, but as yet they were not satisfied they had got 6¢ to 8¢ per bu. to depend on them; they had to do it as best they could the next day. After thanking the parties for the confidence they reposed in him, Mr. Armour left the room, and

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ACADEMY OF MUSIC—Halsted street, south of Madison. Lingard Combination. "A Life's Dream," with Lingard sketches. Afternoon and evening.

McVICKER'S THEATRE—Madison street, between State and Dearborn. Engagement of Miss Jane Coombs. "School for Scandal."

AIKEN'S THEATRE—Wabash avenue, corner of Congress street. Rubinstein concert.

MYERS' OPERA HOUSE—Monroe street, between State and Dearborn. Arlington, Cotton & Kemble's Minstrel and Burlesque Troupe.

GLOBE THEATRE—Desplaines street, between Madison and Washington. The Leith Fitch Ballad Opera Company, and farce of "Poor Pillicoddy."

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RURAL BEAUTIES AND CITY BELLES—COUNTry girls are not a whit behind their metropolitan sisters in the natural elements of beauty, but it must be conceded that the city belles best understand the art of preserving and heightening their personal beauty. The most perfect features have their attractions unless the complexion is properly cared for, and if the pretty girls of the rural districts wish to compete with the "Fairies" of the fashionable world in refined attractions, they must pay due attention to this important point. They ought to know, for the fact is notorious, that HAGAN'S MAGNOLIA BALM imparts to ladies a delicate, nearly approximate, unprecedentable by any other preparation under the sun. No matter how the cuticle may have been roughened by exposure or disordered by the sun, the Magnolia Balm will render it soft and pliable, and removes every blemish.

The Chicago Tribune.

Wednesday Morning, December 4, 1872.

Justice Nelson resigned his seat in the Supreme Court yesterday, and President Grant at once named Ward Hunt, of New York, as his successor.

Tweed's desire for a speedy trial has been again thwarted by his counsel, who consumed all day yesterday with long affidavits to show that the indictments against him had been improperly framed.

The Board of Trade, at a full meeting, yesterday, voted to expel from membership Ira Y. Munn and George L. Scott, who constituted the firm of Munn & Scott, warehousemen. The vote was a decided one.

Wall street, if its views are rightly given in our despatches, finds fault with the failure of the President to urge a further reduction of taxation, and with Secretary Boutwell for claiming the discretion to manipulate the currency of the country at will. The President's remarks about returning to specie payments, and Comptroller Knox's appeal for the removal of some of the restrictions on banking and a modification of the usury laws, meet with favor.

The remains of Horace Greeley lay yesterday in state in the Governor's room in the New York City Hall, and were visited by nearly forty thousand persons. The coffin and the catafalque on which it rested were strewn with flowers, many of which were carried away as mementoes. As a tribute of respect to the dead, Senator Fenton sought to offer a motion, yesterday, that the Senate adjourn over the day of the funeral, but was prevented by the tactics of Senator Cameron.

In the editorial upon "The President's Message," printed in our last issue, referring to the plans suggested for cheap transportation from the West and Southwest to the seaboard, a regret was expressed that no reference was made by the President to some plan which would afford direct relief to the Northwest. The article was based upon an imperfect copy of the message, which accounts for a seeming discrepancy. In the correct copy, the President calls the attention of Congress to the Niagara Falls Ship Canal project, which will be brought up during the present session, as one of the plans for cheapening transportation from the West to the Atlantic.

Secretary Delano reports that 11,864,976 acres of Government lands were disposed of last year, an increase of 1,099,270 acres over the number taken up the previous year. Patent Office reports are no longer issued in the style of the former annual volumes,—inaccurate, and several years behind the dates of the patents they describe,—but in an official gazette, which is published within three days of the delivery of the letters patent. During the year 12,620 patents have been granted out of the 19,567 applications. There are 578 widows of Revolutionary soldiers still receiving pensions. During the year 33,838 applications were granted for pensions. Altogether, the Government has 92,229 pensioners, to whom it pays $25,480,578.80 a year. By far the largest part of the Secretary's report concerns the condition of the Central Pacific, Union Pacific, Kansas Pacific, and other railroads and branches which have received Government aid in lands or bonds.

The House of Representatives has asked Secretary Boutwell to show by what right he inflated the currency in October, and to tell whether he did so by using notes which had been withdrawn from circulation by order of Congress, or by printing new notes without authority. General Banks' bill, introduced at the last session, for the appropriation of $3,000,000 for the construction of 10 steam vessels in view of possible trouble with Spain in the Gulf of Mexico, was brought before the House yesterday. Mr. Hale thought the vessels should be built, in private American shipyards, by contract, and Mr. Stellabarger urged that additions to our naval force should all be made in accordance with one general and harmonious plan. No vote was reached. On the motion to print a large number of copies of Secretary Boutwell's Report, Mr. Brooks complained of the mass of useless documents which lumbered the House, and threatened to move that they be sold as waste paper. Mr. Merrick, of Maryland, has been placed on the Credit Mobilier Investigation Committee in place of Mr. Beck, who resigned, because he had prejudged the case.

The Chicago produce markets were tame yesterday, and generally lower. Mess pork was 15@20c lower, at $11.87½ cash, and $12.00@12.05 seller March. Lard was active and easier, at 7¼@7¼c cash, and 7¼c seller March. Meats were ¼c lower, at 5¾@5¾c for shoulders, 6¾@6¾c for short ribs, and 6¾@6¾c for short clear, all part salted; green hams, 6¾@7¼c ₱ lb. Highwines were quiet and steady at 88c per gallon. Flour was active and firm. Wheat was only moderately active, and ½c lower, closing at $1.09¼ cash, and $1.10¾ seller January. Corn was dull and ¾c lower, closing at 30¾c cash, and 31c seller January. Oats were dull, and ¼@¾c lower, but closed firmer at 24c cash, and 24¾c seller January. Rye was quiet and 1c higher, closing at 58½c. Barley was quiet and steady, closing at 62c for cash No. 2; 61¾c seller the month, and 62c seller January. The hog market opened dull and weak, but after prices had been lower 15@20c the demand became active and continued so to the close. Sales were effected at $3.60@4.05, with the bulk at $3.75@3.85. The closing rates were $3.60@3.90. Cattle were quiet at about former rates. Sheep remain quiet and steady. The stocks of grain now in store in this city are 445,075 bu wheat, 589,521 bu corn, 591,968 bu oats, 137,647 bu rye, 271,572 bu barley.

The statement is made that one of the Eastern insurance companies has telegraphed to its Chicago agent to take no more risks on grain stored in Chicago warehouses for the present. This action has been based upon the developments of fraud that have been made in the case of Munn & Scott, the ground being that it is impossible to determine how much grain is actually stored in any one of the warehouses. If the statement is true, the action has been taken without sufficient cause. It does not follow, because Messrs. Munn & Scott were guilty of misrepresenting the quantity of grain in their warehouses, that all the other warehousemen have been guilty of the same practices. On the contrary, the experience of the operations of Munn & Scott, and the public condemnation and punishment that have resulted from it, will have the effect of rendering warehousemen more careful and circumspect in their business than they have been heretofore. The fact is, that the warehousemen are now engaged in taking an actual measurement of all the grain in store, under the supervision of a Committee, appointed for the purpose by the Board of Trade. Messrs. Flint, Thompson & Co. have also requested that the Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners of the State shall assist in this special inspection, and it is said that the other warehousemen have concurred in their request. In the case of three warehouses, where such an account of grain has already been taken, the amount in those has tallied with the receipts as closely as could be expected. The assurance is also given the public that the warehousemen have consented that the Registrar shall henceforth cancel and audit all the receipts for grain that is taken out. In point of fact, grain insurance has never been on so sure a footing in Chicago during the past ten years as it is now.

SECRETARY BOUTWELL'S REPORT.

Mr. Boutwell, in his report on the finances, expounds the idea on which he has been acting to some extent during the past year, viz., that it is the proper function of the Government, or rather of the Treasury Department, to take a benevolent and paternal charge of the business of private individuals, to the extent of making money more or less plenty, at various times and seasons. In developing this idea he assumes that money and currency are correlative terms, and that, in order to make money easy when it is in fact tight, it is only necessary to put out more currency. The report of the Comptroller of the Currency, which accompanies Mr. Boutwell's report, shows us that the National Banks had loaned to their customers, in the month of October, $872,000,000, with only $451,000,000 of currency of all kinds in their possession, a large part of which they were required to keep in their own vaults as a reserve fund. At least two-thirds of all their loans and discounts were made with something else than currency. This serves to show that money is not a correlative term with currency. The fact that money may be tight when currency is plenty, is shown by the present condition of the money market. There is more currency afloat at the present time by four or five millions than there was six months ago, yet money was very easy six months ago and is very tight now. The reason is, that the business of the country—by which we mean the exchange of commodities which gives rise to bank deposits in the form of drafts, bills of exchange etc.—has received a temporary check. "Deposits" constitute the larger share of a bank's ability to loan money. These deposits represent property in *transitu* from the producer to the consumer. They may be large when the amount of currency in circulation is small, or they may be small when the amount of currency is large; and money will be easy or tight according to the volume of the deposits, and not at all with reference to the volume of the currency. This fact is proved, as we have already remarked, by the existing condition of the money market. It is not true that the annual movement of the crops tends to make money tight. It has the very opposite tendency, for its immediate effect is to swell the volume of deposits and enlarge the ability of the banks to lend. To ascertain whether the movement of the crops tends to make money tight, it is only necessary to inquire what would be the effect if they were not moved. The volume of the currency might remain stationary, or might be doubled, and yet the non-movement of the crops would, in the space of a few months, make money so tight that a financial crisis and general bankruptcy would ensue.

The objections to the Government's undertaking the job of regulating people's business are so numerous and broad that they need only to be stated to secure the condemnation of all reflecting persons. The scheme presupposes infinity, wisdom, and virtue to be lodged forever in the Chief of the Treasury, under the chances of the caucus and the auspices of universal suffrage. No man that ever lived or ever will live is fit to be entrusted with such powers. It is no discredit to Mr. Boutwell to say that he is not fit to assume such a task, but it is somewhat to his discredit that he should suppose himself fit.

THE CREDIT MOBILIER INVESTIGATION.

Mr. Blair's resolution, calling for an investigation of the alleged connection between certain members of Congress and the Credit Mobilier scheme of the Union Pacific Railroad, was very proper, and was not unexpected. The gentlemen whose names have been associated with that of Mr. Oakes Ames in this scheme are among the most prominent in the country. They include Mr. Blaine, the Speaker of the House; Mr. Colfax, the Vice President of the United States; Mr. Henry Wilson, the Vice President-elect; Mr. Boutwell, Secretary of the Treasury, and Messrs. Patterson, Scofield, Kelley, Eliot, Dawes, Fowler, Bingham, and Garfield,—all gentlemen who have held prominent positions in Congress. The connection with the Credit Mobilier which has been imputed to them was first made public by affidavits in a law-suit, which contained copies of letters that Mr. H. S. M'Comb, a wealthy citizen of Delaware, testifies he received from Mr. Oakes Ames, a member of Congress from Massachusetts, a large stockholder in the Credit Mobilier, and a brother of the then President of the Union Pacific Railroad. These letters were written to tell what had become of certain shares of stock in the Credit Mobilier, which Mr. M'Comb claimed as his own, and Mr. Ames stated that he had "assigned" them, to representatives of several States named—the inference being that they were members of Congress. From the clause in one of the letters saying: "Let them have the stock at par and profits made in the future," it was inferred that the shares of stock had been, or were to be, "assigned" at par at a time when they were actually worth from 200 to 400 per cent, and that even this par value was to be paid out of the profits that should accrue after the transfer. Mr. M'Comb also submitted the list of names of members of Congress given above, with the par value of stock that was said to have been transferred to each of them, claiming the list to be a copy from a similar list read to him by Oakes Ames, and taken off by him in pencil-mark on the back of one of Ames' letters. We print elsewhere the Ames letters and other information which will recall the case more fully.

Neither the public nor the gentlemen whose names have been mentioned could afford to have this matter ignored by Congress. The charge is either true or not true. We presume it is not true as to those who have publicly denied it. Perhaps it is not true as to the others. If not true, then it is the duty of Congress to take cognizance of Mr. Oakes Ames' action, which he himself has indicated in his letters to Colonel M'Comb. The most that Mr. Ames has said in regard to the matter is, that he never furnished M'Comb with the list which the latter submitted in the Court. He has not yet denied, however, that he wrote the letters, copies of which M'Comb submitted, claiming that he retained the originals in his possession. If these letters are genuine, they prove that Mr. Oakes Ames, while a member of Congress, was either endeavoring to bribe other members of Congress, or was representing to a partner in business that he was using stock for this purpose, while he was, in fact, keeping it for his own profit. Either issue would prove that Mr. Oakes Ames is not a fit person to occupy a seat in Congress, and would demand his immediate expulsion. Thus the proposed investigation is one that is imperatively demanded by the public welfare, whatever its result may be.

The resolution offered by Mr. Blaine was very fair, especially as accompanied by the request that the majority of the Committee should be made up from the minority party in the House. Mr. Cox, Chairman *pro tem.*, appointed Messrs. Poland and McCrary from the majority party, and Messrs. Banks, Beck, and Niblack from the minority, to serve on the Committee, which will strike the public as a selection of competent and trustworthy men.

DEPOSITS IN BANKRUPTCY.

Since the National Bankrupt law went into operation in this city, the deposits of Assignees have been kept, with scarcely an exception, in the Mechanics' National Bank. The order under which this is done, if we mistake not, was made by Judge Drummond when he was District Judge, and, under Judge Blodgett, no change has been made. So long have these deposits been kept in one bank, that nearly all our banks, lawyers, and business men suppose that the order is imperative, and, unless for cause to be filed under oath before the Court, unchangeable.

Section 22 of the Bankrupt act reads as follows:

> When it appears that the distribution of the estate may be delayed by litigation or other cause, the Court may direct the temporary investment of the money belonging to such estate in securities to be approved by the Judge or Register, or may authorize the same to be deposited in any convenient bank, upon such interest, not exceeding the legal rate, as the bank may contract with the Assignee to pay thereon.

It will be noticed that the provision in each case is permissive, not mandatory. The words are, "*may* direct," "*may* authorize." Of course, it is perfectly proper that the Judge should designate where the moneys of bankrupts should be kept; but is it safe or right for him to place the hundreds of thousands of dollars of the funds of our insurance companies forced into bankruptcy since the fire all in one bank? Has he ever compared the strength of our city banks, as shown by their reports to the Government, as to the amount of their capital stock, or their cash means, in proportion to their liabilities? Their last report, especially in reference to the latter item, is specially worthy of attention. With so many powerful banks in the city, where the money of bankrupts would unquestionably be safe, and among which it surely would be better to distribute these funds than to have them all in one bank, is it quite right to favor a single institution in a matter of so much public interest? We venture to ask whether Judge Blodgett has reflected upon the responsibility he takes in suffering a tacit continuance of the old order, under which the deposits of bankrupts are now made? By so doing, does he not practically ignore all the leading banks of the city? Is it right for him to thus favor a single person, or, at most, three or four, to the disadvantage and virtual discredit of our largest and best business men,—the stockholders and officers of the leading banks of the city? A wise, a prudent, and, as it seems to us, a just course towards creditors and our citizens generally, would be to distribute the funds of our bankrupts among all the stronger institutions. In the earlier operations of the law, this matter of deposits was not of any considerable importance; but, since the fire, it has assumed huge proportions. There is now in Mr. Scammon's bank $130,000 of the funds of the policy-holders of the Mutual Security Insurance Company, besides nearly $50,000 in his hands as Treasurer, and stock notes, the payment of which Mr. Scammon is contesting. On this account a large meeting of the policy-holders petitioned Judge Blodgett, on Saturday, Nov. 23, immediately to order their money removed to some other bank. As yet we have not heard whether His Honor will comply with this request,—one which they asserted a sense of justice to themselves and their self-respect required them to make. The Republic Insurance Company has just been put in bankruptcy. Nearly a million of dollars must pass through the hands of the Assignee. Is it not due to the creditors of this Company that its large capital should be placed in our strongest and best banks? The creditors of our bankrupt insurance companies are all justly anxious on these subjects, and it is to be hoped their reasonable expectations will be respected.

Then, as to the matter of interest, the creditors of our bankrupts are inquiring whether Mr. Scammon's bank pays their Assignees interest on their deposits. We are told by some of them that, so far as they are concerned, it does not. The Assignee of the Mutual Security Insurance Company made no mention of such an item from that source on Saturday, the 23d of November. What right has Mr. Scammon to the use of this money gratis, and at the expense of creditors, when other banks would willingly have paid a very considerable sum for it? From the law as above quoted and the facts above stated, the public will look anxiously to the Court for a readjustment of this whole deposit business, and doubtless their just expectations will soon be realized.

ANTON RUBINSTEIN.

The advent of Anton Rubinstein, the great Sclavonian pianist and composer, in this country, marks the commencement of a distinct musical era. There have been two such eras before. Twenty years ago, Jenny Lind revolutionized vocal music, paved the way for scores of great singers who were to succeed her, changed the system of instruction, and prepared a solid basis upon which opera might rest. When Theodore Thomas organized his orchestra, another era commenced. That admirable organization has accomplished two important results: It has educated the people to an appreciation of classical music, and it is now doing the same work for the new school of music of which Wagner, Rubinstein, Liszt, and Von Bulow are representatives, which had its fountain head in Beethoven, and which was brought to such beautiful perfection in song by Robert Schumann. The third era now commences, and Anton Rubinstein is the leader of a new movement, which is destined to revolutionize piano music, and elevate that instrument to a higher plane than it has ever occupied before. It is no secret that the piano has always stood very low in the scale of musical instruments. For solo performances, it has scarcely been tolerated,—a fact which is due perhaps more to the everlasting thrumming of thousands of neophites, turned out as artists by boarding-schools and seminaries, than to any other reason. The best artists who have been here have never been able to master the entire resources of the piano. They have displayed perfection in a single detail, and have made their reputation upon that detail. For instance, Gottschalk excelled in cantabile playing, Sanderson in octaves, Thalberg in melody and accompaniment, as developed in his wonderful operatic fantasies, and so on. The most that can be said for the piano is, that it has been exceedingly useful for accompaniments. Rubinstein, however, unites the qualities of all other players, and illuminates them with his brilliant genius. He makes it interpret not alone the mere score of the composer, but the sentiment also. In other words, he makes the piano orchestral, and gives the idea of the music in such a manner as to call the attention of the listener to the music rather than to the musician. The composer is speaking through the executant, and this is one of the highest provinces of art.

Anton Rubinstein was born Nov. 30, 1830, at Vechwotynetz, a village in Russian Bessarabia. His parents owned large estates in Wallachia, but lost them in law-suits with the Government, to which fact we are indebted for this great representative of music. His mother was an excellent pianist, and gave him lessons on the piano, in which she was so successful that she removed to Moscow and adopted music as a profession. At the end of two years' study with the great maestro, Willoing, Rubinstein was so far advanced that he performed solos in a concert at Moscow, which gave him a reputation all over Europe. In 1839, then 9 years of age, he went with his teacher to Paris, and gave two concerts. At the second, Liszt was present, and, after listening with rapt attention, rushed up to the young virtuoso, and kissing him, exclaimed, "Here is my heir." It is pleasant to remember that Liszt has lived to see his statement corroborated, for to-day Rubinstein is the foremost pianist in all the world, and one of the greatest of living composers. Liszt at once took such an interest in him that he assisted him in his studies, and he remained in Paris a year and a half. He then started on a three years' tour through England, Holland, Sweden, and Germany, which was marked by a constant succession of triumphs. In 1844, he went to Berlin, and studied composition with Dehn, where he also made the acquaintance of Mendelssohn, whose teaching had the happiest of influences in maturing his art, and perfecting him for the important mission upon which he had entered. About this time his father died, and the family was deprived of the means of subsistence. Young Rubinstein went to Vienna, where he earned his living by teaching. The political events of 1848 drove him to St. Petersburg. On the way he lost his passport and his musical manuscripts. The latter, which were found, were believed to be treasonable papers in cipher, and he was arrested and would have been sent to Siberia but for the interference of the Grand Duchess Helena, who had heard him play in Moscow, and who secured his liberty. Better than this, she appointed him her special pianist, and, shortly after, he was made Chapel-Master to the Empress. His good fortune now commenced. He was furnished with ample funds, so that he was enabled to visit England, Germany, and France repeatedly, and also to publish his compositions, which by this time included oratorios, operas, symphonies, sonatas, and concertos. In 1854, he made one of the most brilliant tours of Europe ever made by a musician, both as pianist and orchestral leader. He returned to Russia in 1858, and founded, at St. Petersburg, the Russian Musical Association and the St. Petersburg Conservatory, of which he was appointed President, and which he managed until 1868 with such success that it is now known as one of the best institutions in Europe. In 1865, he married at Baden-Baden a young Russian girl, named Pauline Vestnoy, a beautiful and accomplished woman, whose failing health, in 1868, induced him to quit Russia and travel in more temperate climes.

These are in brief the principal events in the life of Rubinstein, and it only only remains for us to bid him a hearty welcome to Chicago, and to bespeak for him that cordial and hospitable reception which his great genius deserves. We specially commend these concerts to the pianists of the city, and to every student of the piano. They will not do wisely to neglect an opportunity which may never occur again, of hearing a great pianist and great composer interpret the best music that has been written for the piano. While we regret that our want of an orchestra prevents us from hearing his own concertos, it is a consolation that we are enabled to hear the best works of such masters as Beethoven, Mozart, Handel, Bach, Chopin, Schumann, Mendelssohn, Liszt, Scarlatti, Weber, and others, performed by an artist whose powers of conception and execution are equal to the work he is called upon to perform. Genius of this stamp, which exerts its divine power to make the world better, to elevate and refine mankind, and to prepare for them the purest of pleasures, deserves the recognition of all, and in this recognition it meets with its best reward. For flowers and wreaths, and the usual trumpery which the public is apt to bestow upon artists, Rubinstein cares nothing. His work is accomplished when he has so interpreted the music before him that he has succeeded in impressing it upon his audience, so that they have received it appreciatively, and thereby are enabled to reach a higher, more dignified, and more refined standard of art. The mission of such a man is of the highest and noblest character, and to them the trifles which please lesser men are of small account. His reward is found in devotion to his art and its growth among the people. Such men are so rare that it does not become us to pass them by without recognition.

MR. FROUDE'S MISSION.

Mr. James A. Froude, the English historian, in coming to America, took upon himself the mission of re-educating the American people upon the subject of British relations to Ireland for the last 700 years. In his letter to the lecture managers, he assumed that the American people were either ignorant of Anglo-Irish history, or had received what information they possessed from prejudiced or partisan sources. His mission, therefore, was to lay the truth before them, that they might know that, in the long centuries from the days of Henry II. to the present time, England had been comparatively the just and generous, but rude, parent, dealing with a perverse, unruly, ignorant, and rebellious child. He assumed that he had thoroughly mastered all that was known on the subject, and that he was prepared to tell the story of Anglo-Irish rule without any prejudice, or any of that lingering hatred of the Irish which has characterized all previous English writers.

Mr. Froude, however, has been but a few weeks in the country, and has delivered but a portion of the series of lectures, when he finds himself placed on the defensive. Instead of converting the American mind, he finds himself arrested by flat contradictions of his assertions, plain assaults upon his conclusions, and a general and growing impression that he is, perhaps, more unfair, more partisan, and more reckless in his treatment of the subject than any other writer who has preceded him. Mr. Froude had the fortune, or misfortune, of not coming to this country a stranger. His history of England has been extensively read here. Our people had eagerly sought it. We are, in the aggregate, sufficiently removed from the animosities, religions and political, which have stamped themselves more or less upon English history, and sufficiently indifferent to the traditional jealousies of the various British schools of politics, to be able to appreciate and enjoy an honest, comprehensive, and candid history of the land from which we have derived our language and institutions. The general feeling after reading Mr. Froude was one of disappointment. His history bears not only many of the marks of extreme partisanship, but also of bigotry, which is but poorly disguised under a forcible and dignified diction. In treating of the long-vexed question of the character of Mary Stuart, Mr. Froude transcended all his English predecessors in blackening the character of that unfortunate woman. There was nothing that was vile that had been uttered or published of her, in the centuries of religious fanaticism that have intervened, that he did not use, distort, and magnify, in order to make out his case, that Mary Stuart was the basest of historical women. The publication of this part of Mr. Froude's work provoked an American writer, Mr. James F. Meline, to publish a reply, in which he most unquestionably exhibited the deep-rooted prejudice of Mr. Froude; his recklessness of statement, his unfairness of citations of authorities, and general and exaggerated vilification of the Scottish Queen.

Nor was this all that was calculated to interfere with the success of Mr. Froude's mission. There happened to be in the country a Rev. Thomas Burke, an Irishman by birth and education, a profound scholar, and gifted orator. As the Israelites preserved their history through the long captivity, and have preserved it through ages of wandering and persecution, so have the Irish preserved, during the centuries of English subjugation, their history. The manuscripts of their scholars have been hidden in caves, and almost buried with the dead; though the torch and the sword have often done their work with terrible completeness, still Irish history of Ireland has never been wholly destroyed. The record of English legislation for Ireland stands open to the world. English oppression of Ireland does not owe its origin to religious differences, it dates far anterior to the Reformation. The old Catholic Kings of England differed but little in their estimation of the Irish from their Protestant successors. When the change did come, it served merely to give a religious sanction and a religious motive to policies that had always been brutal. The contest was always held in England, and is to-day held by thousands, to be the right of a "superior race" to reduce the inferior to absolute submission. Thoroughly familiar with the long record of what England has done in this way Father Burke was prepared, upon the first utterance of Mr. Froude, to respond. The two gentlemen, treating each other with courtesy and dignity becoming scholars and men of character, have been alternating in their lectures for some weeks. Reports of these lectures have been published in the papers. It is needless to say that both have their friends and partisans. But Mr. Froude has aroused another class hardly less influential than the eloquent Dominican Friar. The London *Saturday Review* has questioned his accuracy, not merely as pertains to Irish history, but generally, and has thoroughly reviewed him. Other writers have come forward with their proofs, taken from his works, of his inaccuracies; his want of that information pertaining to geography and philology, which are indispensable in a historian. His defective knowledge of foreign languages, even of the dialects of Scotland, is pointed out with copious frequency, and, generally, Mr. Froude is pretty severely handled in the country to which he has appointed himself a missionary to instruct.

Father Burke, alone of all those who have controverted Mr. Froude, acquits him of unworthy motives; but the review of the "facts" upon which the English historian founds his theory is merciless in its logic. Nor is Mr. Froude happy in the offer he has frequently made, to refer the questions in controversy to a commission of arbitration. Mr. Froude speaks as a historian, and must maintain what he asserts, not merely before a committee of arbitration, but before the whole world.

It turns out that the report made by General Starring upon Mr. George H. Butler's administration of the Consulship at Alexandria was, to all intents and purposes, precisely what THE TRIBUNE announced some weeks since. The Washington correspondents have at last had a glimpse at it, and find that it contains the most severe animadversions upon Butler's personal and official conduct long before he became involved in the public row which induced him to abandon his post, and also long before Butler's confidential man, Strologo, made his confession of the abuses prevailing under Butler's administration. But the most serious feature of the whole affair is, that General Starring's report was permitted to lie in the Department archives for many months before Butler took his "French leave" from Alexandria; and that, in spite of this report, made after thorough and official investigation, there was no indication of any intention to remove Mr. Butler until after he had felt the necessity of removing himself officially, as the only means of saving himself physically.

Emotional insanity does not seem to be at a premium in Paris as an apology for crime. A young man in that city, named Oliver de Kermel, actuated by jealousy, recently killed his brother and at once surrendered himself to justice. The defence urged in his case was that of hereditary insanity, but the Court declined to admit it as a valid excuse for the crime, and condemned the prisoner to servitude for life. The case was then appealed to the Court of Cassation in Paris, which confirmed the sentence of the Court below. A few instances of this kind of justice in the American Courts would go far towards preventing the frequency of this plea, which is now the first resort of nearly every assassin in the land, and in almost every instance a successful resort.

The spirit of rivalry which St. Louis always manifests in everything appertaining to Chicago has now broken out in a new direction. Jealous of our reputation in the divorce business, the Supreme Court of Missouri recently decided that the parties to a suit for divorce are competent witnesses in their own behalf. This decision has been handsomely improved, and, on the 27th ult., twenty-nine divorces were granted by the Courts of St. Louis, most of the plaintiffs being women whose husbands were drunkards and had deserted them. We gracefully and willingly acknowledge ourselves beaten.

THE CITY IN BRIEF.

Everything.

The County Clerk issued fifteen marriage licenses yesterday.

Colonel S. L. Woodard, U. S. A., is at the Gardner.

Judge S. Wilkinson, of Peoria, is a guest at the Briggs.

Governor E. M. McCook, Montana, is enjoying the hospitalities of the Sherman.

General J. M. Tuttle, of DesMoines, is at the Tremont.

George A. Perrigo, of the Galesburg *Free Press*, is at the Tremont.

Hon. S. Corning Judd, of Lewiston, Chancellor of the Episcopalian Diocese for the State of Illinois, was in the city yesterday.

It is not true that Pullman sleeping and dining cars are to be put on the West Division street railway lines for the accommodation of passengers to Western avenue.

Dr. J. C. Sweeny, Mrs. V. C. Ober, and Miss M. E. Hughes, of the Soldiers' Orphans' Home, at Normal, are at the Tremont.

The adjourned annual meeting of the Managers of the Old Ladies' Home will be held at the institution, No. 1945 Indiana avenue, at 4 p. m. to-day.

Miss Frances Willard, of the Evanston Ladies' College, will lecture on "The Pyramids," to-night, before the Winnetka Literary Association, in Institute Hall, in that village.

The German Relief Committee of this city is requested to meet at the Mayor's office at 2 o'clock this afternoon, to receive the money received, yesterday, from William H. Appleton, of New York.

Miss Sarah Smiley will give another Bible Lecture, this evening, at the parlor of the First Congregationalist Church, corner of Ann and Washington streets. Subject, "The Second Coming of Christ." All are invited. Seats free.

Prof. B. Melville Bonham will give one of his drawing-room entertainments on Thursday evening at the Reunion Presbyterian Church, on Mitchell street, near Throop. The entertainment consists of songs, readings, and character delineations.

Dr. McSlyun's lecture announced erroneously in these columns for to-day, will occur on Wednesday next. Therefore, let all who anticipated hearing it to-night prolong their anticipations for one week.

A still alarm was given to the Williams Engine, at half-past 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon, for fire in the basement of No. 31 West Lake street. The loss of the occupants, Russell & Turner, restaurant keepers, was about $50. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The ladies of the various churches are interested in the Foundling's Home. So fervid are their wishes for the prosperity of the institution that they find no difficulty in giving hot dinners to the hungry at Nos. 116 and 118 Franklin street. Their motto is, "Buy and eat."

Two sleeping apartments in Anderson's European Hotel were entered by a thief on Monday night, and the occupants robbed of watches and money. Access was gained through the transoms, which were left open. The robbery has been complained of at Police Headquarters.

The effects of the biting weather of a few days ago are observable in the high coloring of the nasal protuberances of several distinguished gentlemen of temperate habits, whose professional duties kept them out late at night during those icy hours. That is what they say.

Louis Strahlacker, a man who has been in jail for some time on suspicion of having committed perjury and fraud in obtaining adjudication of bankruptcy, was brought before Commissioner Hoyne yesterday, and discharged from custody.

Mr. E. E. Kidder, who saved Mrs. Lingard from an ugly accident on Sunday at the expense of her drapery, leaves to-day for Milwaukee. The ladies on the train will feel secure against any railway disaster, conscious of the gallantry and intrepidity of their fellow-passenger.

The young English Evangelist, Henry Moorhouse, preached last night in the First Baptist Church, and will preach to-night and to-morrow night in the North Side Tabernacle, corner Wells and Ontario streets. The many who heard Mr. Moorhouse during his visit to this city, some three years since, will be pleased to hear of his rearrival.

At the annual convocation of Chicago Chapter, No. 127, R. A. M., the following named officers were elected officers for the ensuing year: E. E. Griffith, H. P.; R. E. Hawley, K.; T. C. Borden, S.; D. C. Wallace, C. H.; F. Tobey, P. S.; Wm. Aldrich, Treasurer; Smith, Secretary; N. J. Messenger, R. A. C.; Thos. J. Tustin, Wm. King, A. Bayrer, M. of the Vails, and Isaac Parker, Tyler.

The following were luminating at the European Hotel yesterday: Wm. J. Brown, New York; Mrs. Chas. H. Dean, and Miss Dean, Peoria; W. J. Gilchrist, McGregor, Iowa; J. Hawley, Dixon; J. C. Cushman, Fremont, Neb.; W. H. Graves, New York; T. H. Lannon, Chicago; Boston; Geo. M. King, Monson, Mass.; L. Nogo, Boston; A. Fisher, Cincinnati; R. Whitlock, Warren.

A man named Patrick Corcoran, boarding at No. 429 Canal street, was knocked down near the corner of South Clark and Eighteenth streets, between 1 and 2 o'clock yesterday morning, and robbed of what money he possessed. The assault was committed by two men, neither of whom can be identified.

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Dr. Hays illustrates his lecture on "A Winter's Adventure at the North Pole," to be given at the Michigan Avenue Baptist Church tomorrow night, by a large map, twenty feet square, drawn by himself, which shows the latest discoveries in the Arctic regions, and is the most accurate chart ever made of the cold and cheerless polar country.

The gambling tables captured in the recent extensive raid have been put to good use in the various offices about the City Hall. One of the Mayor's apartments is decorated with an elegant poker table, the Comptroller has a "lookout" or two, and the other devices of the kind are scattered around where they are most needed to keep important books and papers off the floor.

Among the arrivals at the Briggs yesterday were the following: A. M. Tesco, Wheeling, W. Va.; J. H. Hubbell, New York; H. N. Hoe, Sterling; James Anderson, Muscatine; Jos. W. H. Miller, Bay City, Mich.; A. F. Wood, New York; Miss Wood, Miss; G. C. Small, Pittsburgh; J. C. Hawley, Dixon; J. C. Cushman, Fremont, Neb.; W. H. Graves, New York; T. H. Lannon, Chicago; Boston; Geo. M. King, Monson, Mass.; L. Nogo, Boston; A. Fisher, Cincinnati; R. Whitlock, Warren.

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The police authorities of this city were notified recently by the Chief of Police, Cincinnati, that it was generally understood in the latter city that certain thieves were making arrangements to rob a leading Chicago jewelry house at an early day. Superintendent Washburn has notified all the principal stores of that character, and no doubt the meditated depradation will be indefinitely postponed.

Among the numerous cases of domestic discord which were tried before Justice Banyon yesterday were three of wife-whipping. The cowardly culprits were disposed of as follows: Andrew Boslen, of No. 116 South Market street, $100 fine, and $500 bail to keep the peace; Patrick Levy, of No. 303 Burnside street, same fine, and same bonds; Patrick Flaherty, head of a Bridgeport family, same fine, same bonds.

Among the arrivals at the Gardner, yesterday, the following were prominent: C. E. Wellington, and wife, Syracuse, N. Y.; J. S. Newell, Boston; ...W. Gale, Denver; E. H. Eames, Ottawa; R. ...Z. Hart, New York; C. S. Lee and wife, New ...York; B. D. Seeley, Boston; B. S. Fay and wife, Morrison; A. J. Sloan, Philadelphia; Miss ...Granger, Pittsfield, Mass.; R. Mastin, Detroit.

The effort made at the South Side Police Court, yesterday, to prove that William Talcott is the proprietor of a gambling-saloon near the corner of Twenty-second street and Wabash avenue, was not a surprising success. Justice Banyon got even with Talcott, however, by fining him $100 for being found in a strange house. Four others were fined similar amounts for being inmates of the same house.

William Enright and Billy Green, two of the ...origins who assaulted and beat Policeman Rider, and shot Officer Ole Johnson in the head, at the corner of Canal and Kinzie streets, on Monday afternoon, were arraigned before Justice ...cully, at the West Side Police Court, yesterday morning. They were each held in $5,000 bail, and committed in default, to answer the charge of assault with intent to kill.

The Mayor, yesterday, received a letter from William H. Appleton, of New York, enclosing a check for $4,500. Mr. Appleton is Chairman of the New York Relief Committee, and had charge of the paintings contributed by the Dusseldorf artists for the benefit of the Germans of Chicago, who were burned out in October, 1871. The amount mentioned was realized from a sale of a portion of the paintings, the remainder being left in the possession of the New York Committee.

The enthusiastic person who went out sleighing yesterday, and stopped to "make a call" in State street, was compelled to resort to extreme measures to secure his return in safety. The horse appeared to be well, but the cutter didn't run as well as it had. On mature reflection, he decided to wait until the next snow-storm before returning. His name is,—there are urgent reasons for not giving his name, but his residence is on this family request that his residence be withheld.

The new Recorder of Deeds wishes the general public to distinctly understand that he is not a steambuilding employment bureau. He cannot possibly engage everybody who asks him for a situation, because he has no situations to bestow. His office is full of ladies and gentlemen who are capable of performing the duties required of them, and he intends that they shall remain there until they prove themselves unworthy.

A German named Enrick Plumer, residing at No. 1585 Augusta street, cut his throat, yesterday morning, with a razor. When found by his landlady, he was lying on the floor, partially insensible, with the weapon in his hand. His clothing was covered with blood, which issued from the wound in the neck. The woman did what she could for him, and restored him to consciousness. He then became violent, and endeavored to rehack his windpipe, but without success. Dr. Sidam was called in, and pronounced his condition dangerous. Plumer was removed to the County Hospital. He is 65 years of age, and a mason by trade. When asked why he had tried to kill himself, he said all his friends had gone back" on him.

Ten of the gang of lads who have for a long time been making raids on tobacco stores, apple stands, and small shops, were arrested yesterday by Policeman McMahon. These boys were of the habit almost every evening, of demolishing the glass in the show windows of stores, and appropriating the goods displayed. They are not news-boys or boot-blacks, but members of an organized gang of thieves, and have had the assistance of some receiver of stolen property in disposing of any article secured. Six of these boys boarded at a Canal street hotel for several weeks, but their occupating becoming known to the proprietor, he turned them into the street. Nearly all of them lodged with frequently at No. 39 West Adams street. They will have a hearing before Justice Scully this morning, and will probably be sent to the Bridewell.

Comptroller Burley tells the following story: A day or two ago he was waited upon in his office in the City Hall building by a roughly dressed, dirty-looking individual, who, it transpired, was the driver of a coal delivery wagon. The object of his visit was to put in a claim against the city for damages sustained by a defective sidewalk. In backing up his cart to unload his coal, a loose board flew up and hit him a little ...ce, causing a material enlargement and discoloration of the nasal organ and its vicinity, but otherwise producing no injury. "Well," said the Comptroller, after having taken careful note of the prominent feature of the case, "I don't think I can entertain your claim for damages so slight as these." "But," insisted the man, "I've lost my place by it." "Lost your place! How can that be? You are able to work as well as ever, was the reply of Mr. Burley. "Yes, I could work I s'pose, said the coal peddler despondingly, but as a bright thought came to his aid he exclaimed with great earnestness: "But look at my face. Do you s'pose I'd deliver coal to ladies on the avenue with such a face?" This view of the matter was so novel and unexpected to the Comptroller that he had some difficulty in keeping his countenance long enough to end the interview by once more declining to entertain the claim.

Specials from Pittsburgh indicate that fine coal is rising in price.

THE DRIVER MURDER.

...d on the Remains of the Woman Killed by Her Ex-Husband.

...mony of the Children of Deceased —The Murderer Locked Up to Await Trial.

...Coroner, yesterday forenoon, held an in... at No. 43 DePuyster street, on the body ...ast Driver, who was shot by her husband Friday night, and died on Monday ...ng. Both died is the substance of the ...ony elicited:

TESTIMONY OF DR. VENNE.

...R. Venne was made a post mortem examination ...ody, and testified that he found no external ...violence on the body except a gunshot ...d. The ball entered on the right side, between ...and tenth ribs, passing through the small ...l and both lungs, and lodging in the muscles adhering to the ...ne.

TESTIMONY OF GEORGE DRIVER.

...orge Driver, sworn: Am 20 years old, and do not ...the nature of an oath. The lady now lying ...s his mother; the prisoner is my ...father. On Friday morning last, about half-past 8 ...k, my father was sitting in the room, near the ...ve, by my mother's bed, and asked her for ...ney; my father got out of bed, and asked her for ...ney, and she said she would not give him any; ...my father took from the hip pocket of his pants ...ol and fired at my mother; she cried out three times, and father ...ed another shot. A colored woman then came into ...om and put me out of doors. Father had ...ed me and beaten me for several occasions, the ...e two days before he shot her. Father ...ed to get drunk, and when drunk would beat ...other. He struck her several times that week, ...ing her about the head. Mother was divorced ...father about six weeks ago. Father came back to live in the ...e and house. There was one cartridge in ...ol when I gave it to him. I tried to explode it ...n I got it from him. I told him I believed it was not a ...ol, but not recollect giving him any other .... I do not recollect giving him any other .... This witness was not present at the shooting, having gone to his work before it occurred.]

TESTIMONY OF MARY DRIVER.

...Driver, sworn: I am 18 years of age. Father ...Driver on Friday morning and left the house, remaining ...on the premises. When he came back he ...in about half an hour. When he came back he ...me out of the bed, and mother ordered him out. He ...me angry, and approached mother, and I ran out ...the house. I stood on the stoop outside of the ...and heard the two shots, but could not ...the words. Mother did not say two or three ...to fetch a policeman, but, instead of doing so, I ...to the house, and remained there a few min... when I went out, and remained there a few min... While there, I heard another say something ...a knife, and then heard a noise, as if some ...one cut of the house. I then ran towards ...ad street, intending to get a policeman, and met .... I did not speak to him, nor he to me, he run... way. When I returned to the house mother was ...in the kitchen.

TESTIMONY OF POLICEMAN BEEBE.

...eman Beebe testified that he arrested Driver at ...o'clock in the afternoon; he was intoxicated, and ...marched at the Sixth Precinct Station a pistol ...d in his possession. [Witness identified the ...as returned to by William Driver as the one taken ...the prisoner.] Driver acknowledged that he ...the fire-ward with the pistol, and when asked why he ...he replied that that was his business.

THE VERDICT.

...ter the evidence, and the jury return... following verdict:

...the said Ann Driver came to her death from a ...ot wound in the right side, produced by a pistol ...ds of George Driver.

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MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

MUSIC.

...ein, the great Sclavonian pianist, has ...en two concerts in this city, and a sufficient ...ortunity has been afforded to judge of ...ll traits as a pianist, and establish the ...on he holds with reference to other vir...

At his first concert, the audience was ...large one, and it was composed almost ...ely of musicians and musical connois...

A few of these knew what Rubinstein ...and settled themselves down in their seats ...ared to enjoy a rare musical feast. Others ...Rubinstein only by reputation, and came ...the testimony before they agreed upon a ...t. Still another class knew nothing of him, ...there were not a few doubting Thomases, ...e other artists, Rubinstein commences his ...rogrammes, and his first number was the ...st overture of Beethoven. The opening ...fastened the attention of the ...ce at once. As he progressed, ...terest increased, and at its close ...isfaction of the audience expressed itself ...spontaneous outburst of enthusiasm, such ...e other artist ever received in Chicago. ...ein had triumphed, and there was not ...t that audience, which was probably the ...critical audience ever assembled in this ...who did not acknowledge the brilliant gen... of forty art of this master of the piano. ...ein acknowledged the tribute with a low ...ithout once removing his eyes from the ...rd, and proceeded with the sonata, ...rmed the second part of his first num...

...rsonal appearance, Rubinstein is so strik... he would attract attention anywhere. ...most marked feature is, that he is unlike all ...ers. He is of medium height, and sinewy, ...t frame. His face is full of ruggedness ...ome characteristics, his forehead square, ...ge, and his hair long and ...back. His eyes have an ...ace. In facing an audience, he looks ...her than at it. It is a plain, stern, rug... and in repose there is nothing in it ...to be called attractive, but in the inter... of music it grows majestic. The fan... radiance which some people ...see be... them, and the portraits of Beethoven is ...ed to be a personification. Witness identified the ...as returned to by William Driver as the one taken ...the prisoner.] Driver acknowledged that he ...the fire-ward with the pistol, and when asked why he ...he replied that that was his business.

...ein's manner is unpretentious, even awk... and his entrance upon the ...betrays an air of diffidence and embar... He has no personal graces to exhibit, ...coquettish nonsense. He advances di... to his piano; has no gloves to remove, no ...riches to flourish, no wringing of fin... to attempt to impress his personality ...performance upon the audience. His ...low, cold bow, and then seats himself ...piano with the air of a man who has a ...duty to perform, and he performs that ...if no one were present but the artist and .... His never smiles, never looks at the ...ce, although he compels every one in the ...to look at him. He rivets attention at ...outset, and never lets it wander for an ...and that attention which at first is con... upon the player gradually is fastened ...music, and follows it through its every ...The ultimate effect of his playing is to ...the composer before you rather than the ...

...ein is may seem, the dominating ele... of his skill, serious, stern man is passion. ...ein is nature, and his nature is impetu... and apparently irresistible, and yet ...ein is regulated and defined by a keen ...ct which never allows it to over... its proper limits. So perfect is this balance ...een artistic discipline that he ...a *fortissimo* of the most stormy ...ly ungovernable character to a ...delicate that his touch seems like ...that keys seem to faintly respond be... touch them. Out of this passion ...ein and rapidity, and in these two re... he fairly excels any pianist who has ...in this country. The only one who at ...resembles him in these respects is Bendel, ...at the Boston Jubilee, a pupil of ...and belonging to the Rubinstein ...Such force and rapidity require no ordi... and, in this direction, Rubin... seems equal to any emergency. His ...never weaken in their task, ...of endurance never seems to flag, but ...to the end, so that the proper rhythm ...never is disturbed. He can execute ...*prestissimo* with lightning-like ...and then drop into an *adagio* without ...irregularity, and with a perfect ...ment which does not betray any ...or any sign of exhaustion. In like ...he can execute a *mezzo* after measure ...measure, evoking a body of tone from the ...that like the crash of a thunder-storm, ...instantly change to a *pianissimo* ...delicate, and each note as ...and perfect as the patter of ...drops. Such performances must ...be exhausting, but the intensity of ...stasy and the thorough manner in ...he disciplined his powers, do not al...

...also fortunate in choosing McVicker's as the place of his appearance, for in no other theatre could she have enjoyed the advantages of support so powerful, and of preparations so complete and elaborate. Her handling of the character of *Lady Teazle* is so nearly faultless in its artistic conception and treatment as to place it almost beyond the pale of criticism. It is not susceptible of comparison, for it is the finest we have ever seen, and nothing remains but to praise unqualifiedly. To Nature's endowments of facial features of rare sweetness and intellectual expressiveness, and a figure, graceful, lithe, supple, symmetrical, art has added a pliant, sympathetic voice of remarkable distinctness and power, while dramatic genius of a high order helps to complete the perfect portraiture. Her support by the company is unusually adequate and powerful. In Mr. Lanagan we have —not "the finest *Sir Peter* we have ever seen here," as a morning contemporary puts it, forgetting that Mark Smith has acted the part in Chicago—but, certainly, a rendition of surpassing merit. Though the personation is somewhat lacking in the rich, generous flavor which should characterize it, Mr. Lanagan imparts to it a crisp, dry, clean-cut dignity and force which denote the careful study and thorough understanding of its requirements, and his slight short-comings are lost sight of in the excellence of the *ensemble*. Mr. O'Neil, as *Charles Surface*, is peculiarly pleasing; indeed, rather too much so. A little less exuberance would better befit the character, which he looks, dresses, and, in the main, acts admirably. Among the gentlemen, Mr. Power as *Joseph Surface*, Mr. Barry as *Moses*, Mr. Blake as *Crabtree*, Mr. Gray as *Rowley*, Mr. Barron as *Sir Benjamin*, and Mr. Rosene as *Careless*, are all notably excellent. The weak point of the cast is in the *role* of *Sir Oliver*, which should be entrusted to more capable hands than those of Mr. Pendleton, whose most marked defect is his inability to simulate anything approaching a natural laugh. Mrs. Scharnell, Mrs. Peck, and Miss Mallister, as *Mrs. Candor*, *Lady Sneerwell*, and *Maria*, complete the list of strong and effective adjuncts to the performance. The ladies deserve especial mention for the richness and elegance of their costumes. Mr. McVicker has amply fulfilled his promise to give the play an elaborate and appropriate mounting. Finer stage settings are not to be found in any theatre, while in all respects the "School for Scandal" is produced as it never was before in Chicago.

MRS. SIDDONS' READING.

A larger audience welcomed Mrs. Scott Siddons on Monday evening, on the occasion of her first appearance as a reader in this city, than the manager of the Star Lecture Course may have expected—but "the finest *Sir Peter* we have ever seen here"

MONEY AND COMMERCE.

MONETARY.

TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 3.

Notwithstanding the more favorable aspect of trade from the increased shipments of cattle, hogs, beef, etc., eastward, and the consequent increase of Eastern exchange in the market, money continues very stringent yet. The banks show no disposition to increase their loans, and are refusing plenty of good paper every day. In the open market first-class double-name commercial paper is offered at 1½ to 2 per cent per month, with very few transactions at anything under the latter rate.

New York exchange was a little firmer to-day, but sold pretty freely between banks at par.

CIRCULATION AND WEALTH.

One of the most interesting tables in the Report of the Comptroller of the Currency is that showing the ratio of circulating money to wealth and to population in the United States as compared with the same in England and France. It is conclusively shown that the *ratio* of circulating money to wealth is greater in the United States than in either of the other countries, and is just about as great here now as it was in 1860, thus showing that, notwithstanding all the talk there has been about a necessity for more currency, the volume of the currency has increased full as fast as the increase of wealth for which it is a medium of exchange. But when it is considered that the banking system which has been organized on so extensive a scale during the last nine years makes less and less necessity for bank notes or specie, their place being supplied to a great extent by the evidences of bank credit, in the shape of checks and bills of exchange, it will be seen that the volume of currency has actually increased in greater ratio than the increase of wealth required. The clearing house system of the banks, that greatest of all economisers of currency, has only been generally introduced since 1860, and yet we find that the ratio of circulating money to wealth in the United States was 2.71 per cent in 1860 and 2.62 per cent in 1870. Great Britain, with her elaborate system of banks and clearing houses, found the ratio of 1.49 per cent of circulating money to wealth sufficient to transact her business in 1868, and probably has very little greater proportion than that now. France, with no system of country banks, and practically none of clearing-houses, was obliged to have 3.93 per cent, or nearly as large a ratio of circulating money to wealth as the United States. The greater area over which the population and business of the United States are extended requires somewhat greater ratio of circulating money to wealth than in Great Britian, and without our system of banks and clearing-houses would require more than the business of France. But, as compared with France, the economizing effect of our banks and clearing-house system more than offsetts the greater area of the country, and we really have legitimate use for a smaller proportion of circulating money to wealth than France.

There can, of course, be no uniform standard of circulating money to population. The amount of circulating *money per capita* which a nation should have must of course be governed by the amount of the wealth, or capital, they own, circulating money being only the form which a certain proportion of the wealth must take for the convenience of trade.

THE COMPTROLLER'S REPORT

is, on the whole, the ablest document that has been issued from that branch of the Treasury Department. The statistics are very full and intelligently compiled, so as to give a clear conception of the subjects of which they treat, and the recommendations for the better management of the banks are in the main excellent. The statistics and suggestions of the report will afford matter for much thought and discussion, but will undoubtedly be the means of benefiting the banking system, both of National and savings banks.

THE AUTOCRAT OF THE TREASURY.

In his report, published this morning, Mr. Boutwell advocates a doctrine which no other public officer has of late years dared to advocate publicly, viz.: the centralization of power. In this instance, he claims the sole right to regulate the volume of the currency, and argues that bankers and merchants generally should be dispossessed with them. Mr. Boutwell proposes to do the thinking for the whole commercial public; to say when the crops shall be moved; when and how the currency shall be increased, and when diminished; how much profit shall be made in any avocation or trade, in short, to "run the whole machine." The logical result of carrying out his theory of Government regulation of finance and trade would be despotism. Mr. Boutwell believes in that system of paternal government which in France, after steadily progressing from the time of Louis XIV., culminated in the police-espionage system of Louis Napoleon, and the natural reaction from which was the Commune. The progress of this protective paternal spiritis elaborately described by Buckle in his *History of Civilization:*

"In France, everything is referred to one common centre. Everything that is done must be done at headquarters. The Government is believed to see and to know everything, and provide everything. The whole business of the State is conducted on the supposition that no man either knows his own interest, or is fit to take care of himself. With this view the people, even in their ordinary amusements, are watched and carefully superintended. In their fairs, at their theatres, at their concerts, there are always soldiers present to see that no mischief is done. Even the education of children is brought under the control of the State. As the French, while men, are never *let* alone, so while children they are never *left* alone. In short, without multiplying instances, it is enough to say that in France, as in every other country where the protective principle is active, the Government has established a monopoly of the worst kind. The consequence of all this has been that the French, though a great and splendid people; a people full of mettle and abounding in knowledge, have always been found unfit for the exercise of political power."

The foregoing views of Buckle, as to the dwarfing effect on the public mind of the paternal protective theory of government have been sustained by the events of the last few years in France. The spirit of protection of Government supervision, and surveillance, once set to work, never can be stopped short of despotism and the consequent necessity of revolution. This is the characteristic tendency of all Mr. Boutwell's ideas of managing Government and finances.

ELEVATORS AND INSURANCE.

An old and well-known insurance man sends us the following, touching the "moral hazard" in the insurance of grain elevators in the present demoralized condition of the warehouse system:

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

In instructions to agents, all careful and sagacious underwriters always insist on the importance of the moral hazards involved, in writing policies of insurance. The agent is to know with whom he is dealing, and who he is indorsing, as worthy to be trusted with the interests of the company represented, and the safety perhaps of an entire community. If the applicant is unknown,—if he is a migratory merchant, or in bad credit, or of dissolute habits or associations,—he is to be avoided. The company can hope for no good from his cash, or his companionship. And not only is he to be shunned, but the agent is to avoid the neighborhood as well. It will not do to insure him, or any interest exposed by his contiguity. The locality becomes suspected and tabooed, and honest and civil people are thus made to suffer by causes over which they have very little or no control at all.

But the principal controlling in this case is essential. In legitimate underwriting, and must be observed for the safety of the profession not only, but for the preservation of commercial integrity as well. If rogues may avail themselves of public institutions in this way, the institutions are but pests which the body-politic had better be rid of by the shortest cut. And herein is involved a problem of vast moment to this city, and the honest men doing business here. Chicago has the largest elevators, and handles more grain than any other city of the entire world. Operations of such stupendous magnitude should be divested of all faint of suspicion, for the good of the city and the honor of human nature. To admit that dishonesty and crime can be tolerated, or winked at, on a scale so vast, is to endanger the entire foundations of commerce and social life, and to introduce us to a hopeless moral chaos. But this is a question in which the *underwriter* and his honest grain-dealing patron, has the highest possible interest. It is, in fact, a question of continued existence, with the latter. He is often extended far beyond his individual means, and if he cannot get insurance on his vast ventures, his credit is gone, and he must quit the business.

But if gamblers and cheats—desperate men who do not hesitate to panel their grain bins for purposes of deception, nor to issue grain receipts representing no grain as long as they can sell them,—are copartners in these common deposits of the cereal wealth of the country, what are the underwriters to do, when asked to issue policies thereon? while cautioning their agents to avoid Chatham or Wells streets, as the resorts of petty larceny rascals. Shall they disregard all warning indications of danger, and risk untold sums in grain deposits where it may be the interest of somebody to become an incendiary,—to cover a trick or to realize on a forlorn hope,—to cover a theft that dishonest dreams are made of?

Fires in elevators are not infrequent, and "hot journals" may have caused more than one rogue's shoulders of an immense responsibility.

Some ten years since an elevator was burned at Toledo, Ohio, and the insurance companies were called on to pay for a large amount of grain said to have been stored therein. They failed.

The elevator was rebuilt and refilled, and the person who had charge of the former retained his position in the new structure. He was both bookkeeper and general factotum in the concern, and knew more about its affairs than anybody else. His salary was some $1,200 per year, out of which it was observed that he supported his family well, and maintained considerable style and consequence.

At the end of seven years, the second elevator burned also—and again the underwriters were invited to "walk up and settle." They walked up—and settled some very serious problems at least. The most prominent of all was this: The custodian of these huge interests was a rascal—rich out of the plunders from this elevator and the frauds committed on underwriters and others. He went down to the Columbus stone yard for a few years.

The disclosures then and there made were important and valuable to the underwriting world. They saw an elevator in all its moral and material "bearings," and could calculate very well therefrom where all future friction and damage might be apprehended.

They at any rate would limit their risks where that agent and bookkeeper was retained in charge.

Sowing the same seed here in Chicago, may we not well look for a similar harvest? And were all the elevator and grain interests of the country in hands similar to those cited at Toledo, would not underwriters be called mad and unworthy of public credit should they continue to write such precarious hazards?

Nothing but a thorough reform of the entire grain trade can make it respectable, or render policy writing thereon, safe and remunerative.

LOCAL STOCK AND BOND MARKET.

Messrs. Lunt, Preston & Kean quote as follows this afternoon:

	Buying.	Selling.
U. S. 6s of '81	116	116½
U. S. 5-20s of '62, ex. int	112⅜	112¾
U. S. 5-20s of '64, ex. int	112⅜	112¾
U. S. 5-20s of '65, ex. int	112⅜	112¾
U. S. 5-20s of '65, Jan. and July	114¾	115¼
U. S. 5-20s of '67, Jan. and July	115¼	115¾
U. S. 5-20s of '68, Jan. and July	115¾	116¼
U. S. 10-40s	108½	109¼
U. S. 5s (new issue), ex. int	109¼	109¾
U. S. currency 6s	111¼	112
Northern Pacific Gold 7-30s	100 and int.	
Chicago City 7s	99 and int.	
Cook County 7s	99 and int.	
Illinois, County and Township 10s, 93@95		
Sterling Exchange, (large drafts)	108¾@110¼	

REAL ESTATE.

The following instruments were filed for record on Tuesday, Dec. 3:

CITY PROPERTY.

Henry st, between Centre av and Margaret st, n f, 25 ft to alley, dated Dec. 1; consideration, $4,950.

Burnside st, n e corner of Thirty-fifth st, Lots 25 and 27, dated Nov. 1; consideration, $1,000.

Lots 1 and 2 of Furry's Lot 1 of Odlin's add, Lots 19 to 23, in Block 5, Rockwell's Addition, dated Aug. 17; consideration, $2,400.

The premises number 429 West Jackson st, dated Oct. 1; consideration, $11,000.

Lots 44 to 48, in Block 14 of Harding's s½ s w¼ Sec. 11, 39, 13, dated Nov. 19; consideration, $4,100.

Centre st, between Taylor and Twelfth sts, s f, Lot 81, dated Dec. 2; consideration, $1,500.

Washington av, between North Halsted and Union sts, n f, 30 ft to Warman st, dated Sept. 2; consideration, $6,000.

Lot 15, in Gardner & Hall's Block 1, in Carpenter's Addition, dated Nov. 7; consideration, $4,125.

Washington av, between North Halsted and Union sts, n f, 60 ft to Warman st, dated Nov. 11; consideration, $11,300.

Washington av, n e corner Peoria st, s f, 25x100 ft, dated Oct. 29; consideration, $7,500.

Lot 20, in Block 1, of Brand's Addition, dated April 26; consideration, $4,000.

Washington av, 25 ft s of Peoria st, s f, 25x100 ft, dated Nov. 26; consideration, $4,440.

Washington av, between North Halsted and Union sts, n f, 60 ft to Warman st, dated Nov. 11; consideration, $11,300.

Washington av, n e corner of Peoria st, s f, 25x100 ft, dated Oct. 29; consideration, $7,500.

Washington av, n e corner Peoria st, s f, 25x100 ft, dated Oct. 26; consideration, $7,500.

Washington av, 25 ft s of Peoria st, s f, 25x100 ft, dated Nov. 26; consideration, $4,440.

Washington av, between North Halsted and Union sts, n f, 60 ft to Warman st, dated Nov. 11; consideration, $6,000.

Washington av, n w corner of Peoria st, s f, Lot 27, and 28, dated Oct. 8; consideration, $13,570.

Lot 24 in same Block, dated Oct. 9; consideration, $4,125.

Lot 8, in same Block, dated Oct. 21; consideration, $4,675.

Washington st, between Green and Halsted sts, s f, Lot 17, dated Sept. 11; consideration, $3,125.

Washington av, between Sangamon and Peoria sts, s f, Lot 25, dated Oct. 11; consideration, $6,001.

Lot 9, in same block, dated Oct. 8; consideration, $6,074.

Washington av, n w corner of Green st, s f, 50x76 ft, dated Oct. 8; consideration, $9,750.

Lot 13, in same block, dated Oct. 29; consideration, $3,116.

Washington av, n e corner of Sangamon st, s f, Lots 19 and 20, dated Oct. 11; consideration, $6,000.

Lot 14, in Block 1, same addition, dated July 8; consideration, $2,500.

Washington av, between Sangamon and Peoria sts, s f, Lots 23 and 23, dated Oct. 9; consideration, $9,000.

Part of Lot 2, in Block 1, in Cossitt's second addition, dated Sept. 16; consideration, $1,600.

Lot 25 (with buildings) of Pollak's subdivision of s e ¼ of Lot 2, of s ½ of s w ¼ of Sec 13, 39, 13, dated Oct. 3; consideration, $6,404.

Lot 3, in Adams' addition, dated Oct. 9; consideration, $1,500.

Lot 25, in Hull's Block 36, Sec 7, 39, 14, dated Oct. 21; consideration, $3,240.

Lots 10 and 11, in Block 7, Carpenter's Addition, dated Oct. 8; consideration, $6,976.

Lot 18 in Pollak's subdivision of Lot 2, of s ½ of s ¼ Sec 12, 39, 13, dated Oct. 7; consideration, $3,300.

Lot 33, in Cossitt's Addition, dated Sept. 18; consideration, $1,600.

Lot 25, in Kinzie, bet Lincoln and Wood sts, n f, Lot 7, dated June 21; consideration, $2,500.

West Kinzie st, bet Lincoln and Wood sts, n f, 25 ft to alley, dated Oct. 31; consideration, $2,000.

Lot 1, in Adams' Addition, dated Aug. 29; consideration, $1,500.

West Kinzie st, s w cor of Lincoln st, n f, 163½ ft to alley, dated Oct. 29; consideration, $3,225.

Lots 1 to 7, in Block 4, Carpenter's Addition, dated July 1; consideration, $14,000.

Lots 11 to 13, Lot 9 and s w Block 2 and s w Block 33, Sec 7, 39, 14, dated Oct. 31; consideration, $4,000.

West Kinzie st, bet Ada and Elizabeth sts, n f, Lots 3 and 4, dated Nov. 1; consideration, $5,780.

West Kinzie st, s e cor Robey st, n f, 200 ft to alley, dated Oct. 26; consideration, $10,530.

Ada st, opposite Depot-place, w f, 48x112 88-100 feet, with improvements, dated Nov. 20; consideration, $4,000.

Lot 5 of Lots 12 to 16, in Block 4, Magie & High's Addition, dated Nov. 26; consideration, $6,908.

Lots 6 of same, dated Nov. 20; consideration, $2,500.

Lot 90 in Cossitt's Addition, dated Nov. 6; consideration, $3,125.

Lots 9 and 10 in Block 2, Lots 9 and 10 in Block 5, Lot 9 in Block 4, and w 25 ft of Lot 5, in Block 1, in McIntosh's, Lot 2 of s ½ of s w ¼ Sec 13, 39, 13, dated Oct. 25; consideration, $11,000.

West Kinzie st, between Robey and Lincoln sts, n f, 25 ft to alley, dated Nov. 25; consideration, $1,250.

W ½ of Lot 7, in Block 1, Wright's Addition, with buildings, dated Nov. 25; consideration, $10,980.

Lot 19 of Lot 2, in Block 19, Sheffield's Addition, dated Nov. 1; consideration, $1,000.

West Twelfth st, s e corner of Lincoln st, Lot 25, dated Nov. 16; consideration, $1,200.

West Jackson st, between Centre av and Throop st, s f, 50x125 ft, dated Oct. 1; consideration, $10,000.

Archer av, s w of Market Square, s e f, 25 ft to alley, dated Nov. 30; consideration, $1,000.

Same as the above, dated Nov. 30; consideration, $1,000.

Bremer st, n of Chicago av, w f, Lot 27, dated Dec. 2; consideration, $3,500.

Block 8, of Wright & Webster's n e ¼ of Sec 12, 39, 13, dated Nov. 18; consideration, $30,000.

Lots 1, of 6 and 7, in Block 3, South Branch Addition, dated Nov. 15; consideration, $1,620.

Lot 25, in Crane's Block 2, in United States Bank Addition, dated Dec. 2; consideration, $550.

Lot 17, of Lots 12, 13, &c., 16 Block 7, Rockwell's Addition, dated Nov. 30; consideration, $1,000.

The premises, No. 134 Tennessee av, dated Nov. 19; consideration, $6,500.

Lot 8, in Block 3, Brown's Addition, with building, dated July 24; consideration, $4,000.

Same as the above, dated July 24; consideration, $650.

Lot 107, in Block 3 of s ½ n w ¼ Sec 8, 39, 14, dated Oct. 4; consideration, $1,400.

Sedgwick st, s of North Av, w f, 42 55-100 ft, dated Oct. 4; consideration, $6,000.

West Twenty-second st, 165 ft w of Lincoln st, s f, 25x125½ ft, dated Nov. 13; consideration, $1,200.

Hamlin av, 138 ft n of West Lake st, e f, 50x175 ft, dated Nov. 1; consideration, $2,500.

SOUTH OF CITY LIMITS.

Thirty-ninth st, s e cor of Langley av, n f, 75x120 ft, dated Nov. 28; consideration, $2,000.

Lots 39 to 42, in Block 3, of s ½ n w ¼ of s w ¼ Sec 9, 38, 14, dated Dec. 3; consideration, $1,600.

COMMERCIAL.

TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 3.

The following were the receipts and shipments of the leading articles of produce in this city during the past twenty-four hours, and for the corresponding date a year ago:

	RECEIPTS.		SHIPMENTS.	
	1872.	1871.	1872.	1871.
Flour, bbls	7,420	2,849	3,200	5,000
Wheat, bu	92,200	35,000	37,126	1,367
Corn, bu	55,300	103,200	921	13,518
Oats, bu	33,140	38,000	19,836	10,130
Rye, bu	3,940	2,460	1,830	2,900
Barley, bu	18,470	6,468	12,589	1,200
Grass seed, lbs	13,440	82,905	7,790	
Flax seed, lbs	87,100			
Broom corn, lbs	45,400	14,000	20,410	
Dried meats, lbs	341,840	73,370	163,500	204,630
Beef, bbls		85	655	135
Pork, bbls	4	905	254	722
Lard, lbs	8,440	142,730	275,600	210,982
Tallow, lbs	1,180	20,010	123,215	44,680
Butter, lbs	67,814	40,357	7,700	10,789
Dressed hogs, No	216	367	327	909
Live hogs, No	24,360	17,705	9,473	8,505
Cattle, No	2,207	1,784	1,004	1,214
Sheep, No	548	290	263	
Hides, lbs	145,260	104,735	143,976	78,153
Highwines, brls	26	367	162	215
Wool, lbs	141,644	183,046	124,380	78,558
Potatoes, bu	1,515	1,614	55	
Lumber, m feet	1,547	1,326	1,540	361
Shingles, m	1,360	1,700	923	960
Lath, m			40	75
Salt, brls	248		1,984	1,961

Withdrawn from store yesterday for city consumption: 899 bu wheat; 8,514 bu corn; 1,480 bu oats; 975 bu rye; 11,605 bu barley.

The following grain has been inspected into store this morning, up to 10 o'clock: 126 cars wheat; 63 cars corn; 18 cars oats; 3 cars rye; 28 cars barley. Total, 243 cars, or 80,000 bu.

Several of the warehouse firms have completed the measurement of the grain in their houses, and the results appear in the Registrar's return of grain in store on Saturday last, which is given below. Others (as Flint & Thompson) are at work taking stock, but have not yet finished the work. It is understood to be the intention of all to furnish a statement of the receipts out against their grain as soon as the statements can be completed; and these statements will be authentic, being audited by the Committee appointed for that purpose by the Directors of the Board of Trade. We shall then have plain sailing in the matter, and will be able to avoid the snags formerly encountered in trying to make our conceptions of right square with the facts. With Munn & Scott eliminated, we shall probably have no more trouble.

The leading produce markets were tame today, but generally steady. The receipts of most descriptions of produce were liberal for this part of the year, and the shipments were small, as is usual at this season. Hence operators were impressed with the idea that we are stocking up more rapidly than is compatible with ease on a tight money market, and that prices must decline still further, though they are conceded to be low. The trading was chiefly of the scalping order, except in wheat and provisions.

The latest joke in commercial circles is, that a eminent insurance President has decided that it is unsafe to insure grain in Chicago elevators, as the developments in the Munn & Scott case prove. He does not seem to know that those very developments have induced the honest warehousemen to show their hands, so that people have now an opportunity to see for themselves that those hands are clean, which they never had before. It may be the mark of wisdom to value a sick man, and to regard him as worthless after he has been cured; but it is not common sense.

The grocery market was somewhat more active than during the preceeding two or three days, but there was no particular animation in trade, and, with the exception of coffees and Carolina rice, both of which were quoted firm, the prevalent feeling was easy, though there was no appreciable change in any article in the list. Dry goods met with a good local and outside demand, and the market was strong at former prices. Stocks of certain lines of goods are becoming considerably reduced, but the market is liberally supplied with most descriptions, and a very satisfactory business is doing. Butter remains firm under a continued good demand, at 8@20c for inferior to medium grades, and at 24@28c for choice. Shippers and local consumers were operating liberally at the above rates for prime. Bagging was dull at unchanged prices, cost at 25½c for Stark; at 35c for Ludlow, and at 34c for Lewiston. The cheese trade was again quiet, with prices weak and unsettled. Coal remains firm, and prices of Lackawanna and Erie are tending higher. No new features were developed in the fish and dried fruit market. Hay was in better request at unchanged prices, Hides were quoted firm at the late advance. In the leather market fair activity was witnessed, and the market was strong, with an unmistakable upward tendency in domestic stock. Oils, paints, tobacco and wood were unchanged. Lumber was moderately active and steady at yesterday's prices. Lime, brick, cement, etc., continue in moderate request and steady, at former quotations. Cooperage was in better demand, especially packer's varieties, and they are firmer at $1.30@1.35 for pork barrels; tierces, $1.84@1.85. Iron, iron metals, nails, and naval stores, were in light demand with prices unchanged; the iron market is a shade easier, although quotable at 3½-10c for iron; tin and tinplate are steady at the decline noted yesterday. Salt was in fair demand and firm at $2.25 for coarse and fine grades. Wool was moderately active at present quotations. Hops are fairly active and firm. Broom corn is in better demand. Seeds were quiet to-day and unchanged. Timothy quotable at $3.10@3.15 for prime, with a fair held off of the market; fair to good, $2.75@3.00. Clover was quiet and steady at $5.00. Flax was firm, at $1.60. Potatoes are in very good demand, but very few car lots have arrived in a salable condition. Choice lots would bring 65@70c on track. Poultry has been rather quiet since Thanksgiving. A good deal of it is so poorly dressed that it cannot be disposed of at any price. Choice dressed chickens and turkeys are in some demand, with prices weak and in buyer's favor. Game was in good supply and dull. Shippers are not in the market, prices East having declined, and trading is confined to the local demand. Prices are weak and lower. Green fruits are in the usual demand; apples firm and in good request.

Highwines were quiet and steady at the price of yesterday, but generally quoted a shade firmer, there being very few offered. Sales were reported of 100 brls at 86c per gallon.

Dressed hogs are still in demand, on 'Change. The receipts continue small, and are sold on the street. The quotation is $4.50@4.75 per 100 lbs.

Provisions were less active, and again weak, in sympathy with a further decline in hogs at the Stock Yards, where the hogs seem to be coming in faster than is wanted. Buyers of hogs hold off for an equilibrium in prices between this and other cities, and buyers of product are disposed to do the same, while holders slowly succumb to their views of the situation. Mess pork is 25@20c per brl lower. Lard was active, and only a shade easier for present, while fully ½c lower on the longer options. Old lard was lower than new. Meats were fully ½c lower, and even hams shared in the weakness. The market closed at the following range of prices: Mess pork—Old at $12.75@18.00; new pork, cash or seller the month at $11.87½; do seller January, $11.70@11.75; do seller February, $11.90@12.00; do seller March, $12.00@12.05; do seller April, $12.00@12.10; prime mess, $11.00@11.25. Lard, cash, 7½@7¾c for new, cash or seller December; do seller January, 7¾c; do seller February, 7¾c; do seller March 7¾c. Sweet pickled hams, 8¼@10¾c, and green hams at 7¾@7¾c for 15 lb averages, and 6¾@7c for 16 lb averages. Green shoulders, 8¼@8¾c; do rough sides, 4½@5c; do short ribs, 5¼@5¾c; do short clear, 5¼@5¾c; meats, 15 to 20 days in salt, quotable at 3½@3¾c for shoulders; 5¾@5¾c for short ribs, and 6¾@6¾c for short clear. Boxed shoulders, seller December, quoted at 4@4½c. English meats, for delivery in December and January, 5¾@6¾c for Cumberlands; 6@6½c for short ribs, or long clear; 6¾c for short clear; 8¼@8¾c for long cut hams. Mess beef, $8.50@9.00; extra mess do, $9.50@10.00; beef hams, $23.50@30.00. City tallow, 8@8½c; grease quotable at 5½@6¼c. Sales were reported of 200 brls mess pork at $12.00; 400 brls do at $11.17½; 500 brls seller March at $12.00; 3,450 tcs lard, cash and seller January, at 7½c; 290 tcs old do at 7c; 100 tcs new do at Eureka, Ill., at 7c; 750 tcs do seller February at 7¾c; 400 tcs seller March (yesterday afternoon) at 7¾c; 250 tcs do at $7.85; 250 tcs do at 7¾c; 100 bxs shoulders at 4¾c; 500 bxs short ribs, seller February, at 6c; 700 bxs long clear at 6¾c; 600 bxs short clear, seller last week in January, at 6¾c; 20,000 lbs green hams (average 12 lbs) at 8¼c; 30,000 lbs do (13 lbs) at 8c; 5,000 pcs do (16 lbs) at 7c; 20,000 lbs do at 6¾c.

Flour was moderately active, and firm, notwithstanding the easier feeling in wheat, the cause being light stocks. Several of the mills reported were sold to arrive, the spot offerings not being equal to the demand. Winters were not much inquired for, but spring superfines were scarce. Bran and buckwheat flour were both lower. Sales were reported of 200 brls spring extras (Big Loaf) at $6.75; 700 brls do (Elkader) at $6.25; 400 brls do at $6.25; 100 brls do at $6.00; 100 brls do at $5.90; 200 brls brls do (North Star) at $5.50; 100 brls do at $5.25; 1,400 brls do on private terms; 100 brls superfines (Oak Grove) at $4.50; 100 brls do at $4.50; 53 brls do at $4.25; 100 brls rye at $3.87½; 100 brls do on private terms. 100 brls buckwheat at $4.00; 50 brls do at $7.75. Total, 3,803 brls. Also 20 tons bran at $12.00; 20 tons do at $12.50 on track. The following is the range of prices:

Fair to choice winter extra	$7.00@ 8.75
Red winter extras	6.50@ 7.30
Good to choice spring extras	5.30@ 6.50
Low to medium	4.50@ 5.25
Good to fancy Minnesota	6.00@ 7.25
Spring superfines	3.00@ 4.60
Rye flour	3.00@ 4.00
Buckwheat flour	7.50@ 8.00
Bran	12.00@13.00
Middlings	11.00@13.00
Cornmeal, bbls and sks	2.10@ 2.75

The following were the stocks of flour in store in this city on the 1st of each month for 5 years past:

	1868.	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.
January	64,000	86,200	56,601	72,650	32,700
February	62,800	125,900	56,077	66,756	22,613
March	97,448	106,111	63,040	84,350	24,650
April	96,676	101,250	70,000	47,000	31,750
May	46,038	88,826	50,385	26,015	31,130
June	42,627	73,034	39,225	17,883	33,178
July	18,978	39,178	41,830	40,800	40,499
August	11,783	26,278	29,004	31,200	29,368
September	113,000	90,000	35,000	31,000	27,000
October	99,817	31,417	48,179	20,300	26,615
November	78,918	34,060	31,560	16,050	38,450
December	71,000	52,470	48,176	28,700	26,550

Wheat averaged ½c lower, and was tame, though the principal object of interest on the Board. The telegrams from New York and Liverpool were not discouraging to holders, as the decline on the other side of the Atlantic, made "public" to-day, was reported privately yesterday, and was known to all the leading operators. But our receipts were nearly double the reported shipments, and traders in wheat seemed to have come to the conclusion that our receipts will run from 30,000 to 50,000 bu per day through the winter, which will load us up pretty well by the opening of navigation, with little money on which to carry it, and much of that money wanted to invest in corn and pork products. The market was quite weak during the former part of the session, but then one operator took hold rather freely, buying some 400,000 bu before he got through, and this made sellers more confident, so that buyers were obliged to advance their views in order to obtain more. This was probably what prevented a more extensive drop. Seller January opened at $1.10½, declined to $1.09¾, and advanced to $1.10¾ at the close. Seller the month sold at $1.08¾@1.09¼, closing at the outside. No. 1 spring was quiet at $1.17; No. 2 do at $1.09¾; No. 3 do at $1.00, and rejected do at 90c in houses not on the North Side. Cash sales were reported of 1,500 bu No. 1 spring at $1.17; 10,000 bu do at $1.09¾@; 17,600 bu No. 2 spring at $1.09¼; 42,800 bu do at $1.09; 83,400 bu do at $1.08¾; 2,800 bu No. 3 spring at $1.00; 1,600 bu do at 99¼@; 10,800 bu do at 99c; 400 bu rejected spring at 91c; 400 bu do at 90c; 800 bu do at 88c; 800 bu do at 87c. Total, 124,000 bu.

Corn was dull, and ⅝c lower than yesterday, though not particularly weak in New York. But our receipts were set down at 54,000 bu more than the shipments, and a good many asked how long it would take to fill up at that rate, which is 1,000,000 bu every three weeks, and the winter only just begun. The question was not a difficult one; but the answer was not a power as is called up visions of 25c, or thereabouts, and made a good many anxious to sell (many of them shorts) while few wanted to buy. Our stock of No. 2 to-day is less than 500,000 bu, but the new corn is now inspecting No. 2, and dealers expect that our receipts through the winter will be limited only by the carrying capacities of the railroads that bring it to this city. Seller the month opened at 30¾c, advanced ⅛c and receded to 30¾c at the close. Seller January sold at 30¾@31⅛c, closing at 31c. Seller June sold at 36c cash. No. 2 was offered at 30¾c at the close, and rejected closed nominal at 28¾@29c. Cash sales were reported of 36,000 bu No. 2 at 30¾c; 40,000 bu do at 30¾c; 800 bu rejected at 29½c; 400 bu do at 29c; 1,600 bu do at 28¾c; 800 bu ear corn at 34c on track. Total, 79,600 bu.

Oats were weak, dropping ¼@⅜c per bu, "like a hot shot" this morning, on receipt of the news that oats were dull in New York, the strength in which market has kept our prices up for several days past. The receipts were light, and the inspection for to-morrow was only 18 cars, but even the grasshopper would have been a burden in the market where there is no short interest of any moment to sustain it. Seller the month, or ordinary car lots, sold at 23¾@24c, closing at 24c. Seller January sold at 24¼@24¾c, and seller February at 25c. Cash sales were reported of 1,200 bu No. 2 at 24½c; 5,000 bu do at 24½c; 7,400 bu do at 24c; 6,800 bu do at 23½c; 1,800 bu rejected at 22c. Total, 22,000 bu.

Rye was quiet but strong, under continued light offerings. The market advanced 1c, and would have gone still higher had buyers wanted much. Cash sales were reported of 400 bu No. 2 at 58¾c; 800 bu do at 59c, and 400 bu do at 57½c. Total, 1,600 bu. Rejected was wanted at 53c, but none offered.

Barley was rather quiet, but steady at about yesterday's prices, holders refusing to take less, while there were a few buyers with whom orders seemed to be imperative. No. 2 in ordinary houses opened at 61c, advanced to 62c, and closed firm. Seller the month sold sparingly at 61½c, and seller January at 62c. No. 3 was steady at 51@51¾c. Cash sales were reported of 400 bu No. 2 at 65c; 800 bu do at 62½c; 1,200 bu do at 61¾c; 3,200 bu do at 61¾c; 400 bu do at 61¾c; 800 bu do at 61¾c; 8,200 bu do at 61c; 800 bu No. 3 at 53c; 1,200 bu do at 51¾c; 3,800 bu do at 51c; 1,600 bu rejected at 44c; 2,000 bu do at 43c; 800 bu do at 42c; 400 bu, by sample, at 80c; 400 bu do at 75c; 800 bu do at 72c, all on track; 400 bu do at 70c, delivered; 400 bu do at 66c, on track. Total, 26,600 bu.

The following are the stocks of grain in store in this city, on Saturday evening last, and those reported for corresponding dates:

	1872.	1871.	1870.	1869.
WHEAT.	Nov. 30, '72.	Nov. 28, '72.	Dec. 2, '71.	Dec. 3, '70.
No. 1 amber			1,303	
No. 2 amber			608	
No. 1 red			389	
No. 2 red	765	2,196	5,428	
No. 3 winter	1,135	1,509	7,264	
Rejected winter			229	
No grade winter			609	
No. 1 spring	29,451	41,252	32,598	
No. 2 spring	292,797	210,628	757,007	
No. 3 spring	89,654	95,235	57,857	
No. 1 hard spring	5,586	8,330		
No. 2 hard spring	18,934	13,461	52,750	
Rejected spring	31,444	29,278	22,165	
No grade spring	39	329	439	
Total	445,075	419,996	897,345	
CORN.				
White	2,126	2,551		
Yellow	7,527	10,628	35,935	
No. 1	106,263	153,473	42,305	
No. 2	443,647	346,127	703,068	
Rejected	23,644	24,516	89,793	
No. 2 kiln dried	4,314		2,379	
No grade			1,000	
Total	589,521	533,154	868,673	
OATS.				
No. 1	4,916	3,826	16,438	
No. 2	576,605	546,709	284,359	
Rejected	12,471	22,579	8,504	
No grade	1,516	1,816	2,808	
Total	591,998	574,225	312,109	
RYE.				
No. 1	4,412	4,791	56,908	
No. 2	128,447	124,054	223,185	
Rejected	4,781	4,706	8,223	
Total	137,647	133,551	288,316	
BARLEY.				
No. 2	158,354	111,904	398,316	
No. 3	79,955	100,176	95,598	
Rejected	31,370	46,579	4,023	
No grade	415	415		
Total	271,572	259,174	427,937	

Total, 2,035,783 bu. Of the above, the returns are made up from actual weights, in the warehouses of George Armour & Co., Armour, Dole & Co., and the Illinois River Elevator. The figures show an increase during the past week of 25,079 bu wheat; 56,367 bu corn; 17,743 bu oats; 4,086 bu rye; and 12,438 bu barley.

The New York *Bulletin* says: "An epidemic, similar in all respects to the horse disease, has appeared among the hogs in different parts of Ohio. The breaking out of the disease has been traced in almost every case to hogs rooting in the vicinity of stables where sick horses were kept. It does not appear to be contagious in the ordinary sense of the term, but it seems to be caught as the chickens caught it, by eating the droppings of food of diseased horses. Some farmers have lost from fifty to a hundred hogs."

PRODUCE STATISTICS.

The New York *Produce Exchange Circular* has the following:

Comparative shipments of flour and grain from the ports of Chicago, Milwaukee, Duluth, St. Louis, Toledo, Cleveland, and Detroit, from Jan. 1 to Nov. 22, inclusive, for four years:

	1872.	1871.	1870.*	1869.*
Flour, brls	4,185,916	4,132,419	3,801,981	4,257,802
Wheat, bu	92,306,137	35,661,027	37,349,815	34,836,636
Corn, bu	65,424,913	47,756,602	20,388,582	28,894,619
Oats, bu	18,014,768	16,203,220	11,676,136	9,713,301
Barley, bu	5,262,563	3,159,672	3,928,952	426,760
Rye, bu	1,140,414	1,846,963

CITY REAL ESTATE.

TO RENT—ROOMS.

WANTED—MALE HELP.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

CHICAGO LUMBER MARKET.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF CHICAGO.

CHICAGO DRY GOODS MARKET.

SUBURBAN REAL ESTATE.

BOARDING AND LODGING.

TO RENT—HOUSES.

WANTED—TO RENT.

WANTED—FEMALE HELP.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.

REAL ESTATE WANTED.

COUNTRY REAL ESTATE.

MISCELLANEOUS.

FINANCIAL.

HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

FOR SALE.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS.

SEWING MACHINES.

LOST AND FOUND.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

PARTNERS WANTED.

AGENTS WANTED.

CLAIRVOYANTS.

DIVORCES.

BOARD WANTED.

HORACE GREELEY.

The Remains Visited Yesterday by 50,000 People.

All Preparations for the Funeral Completed.

Resolutions of Sympathy and Respect.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—During the twelve hours that Mr. Greeley's remains lay in state, in the City Hall, to-day, between thirty and forty thousand people passed through in procession, to take a last look on the well-loved editor. Yet not more than one person in ten who desired to view the remains could spare time to wait for the column, several blocks long. Many spent three hours in line before reaching the entrance. The coffin occupied a place on the richly-dressed catafalque in the centre of the Governor's room, strewn with flowers and surrounded by splendid floral tributes of original designs. The floral memento from Mr. Greeley's neighbors at Chappaqua was a large shield, festooned with crape. In the centre was a wreath composed of ears of wheat, enclosing memorial verses. Over the wreath were the words, "It is done," and beneath pending hatchets crossed. Mr. Greeley lay with his left arm lying by his side, and his right hand across his breast. His face was emaciated and worn, with traces of physical anguish, the lips more firmly closed, and the well-remembered benevolent smile had entirely disappeared. The remains were dressed in black broadcloth, with black velvet vest and polished boots. A plain gold ring was on the third finger of the left hand.

The throng marching through was composed largely of persons in humble circumstances, whose faces expressed sincere grief. A fair proportion were ladies, some of whom stooped and kissed the corpse; others picked stray leaves of flowers and placed them in pocket-books as mementoes. All through the day and evening in the room where the departed philanthropist lay the tearful scenes were deeply affecting.

Mr. Thurlow Weed made his appearance shortly after 1 o'clock. He looked very feeble, and seemed to walk with difficulty. After looking at the coffin, he wandered through the rooms and soon became absorbed in the contemplation of the portraits of his old political associates. He sat down, and entered into conversation with numerous friends, who had gathered around him. After resting a short time he took a position in the line of people passing around the body. When he approached the casket, he leaned over the body, and gazed long and earnestly into the face of his former associate. A policeman, who was not acquainted with Mr. Weed, told him to move along quickly, but, having been informed of the name of the mourner, he allowed him to remain standing before the casket while the rest of the the procession passed on. Mr. Weed seemed deeply affected by the scene, and, after looking at the features of Mr. Greeley for some time, leaned on the shoulder of a friend and left the room. Charles O'Conor was among those who gazed longest and most sorrowfully on Mr. Greeley's sadly altered face.

At 10 p. m. the doors of the City Hall were closed against an anxious throng, still pressing forward, and soon after the remains were returned to Mr. Sinclair's house, to await the funeral services to-morrow.

[*By the Associated Press.*]

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The scene at the City Hall, this morning, has had no parallel since the day the dead body of Abraham Lincoln lay within its walls. The building itself had a sombre and mournful appearance, with the flags at half-mast, and most of the pillars enfolded in black crape; festoons of the same material drooping over the portico, and enframing the windows. On the balcony, shrouded in mourning emblems and the heavy folds of the United States banner, is the portrait of Horace Greeley. Below is the inscription: "We remember with pride his busy life."

The body of the dead journalist arrived at the City Hall as early as 8 o'clock. It was borne there in a simple hearse attended by an escort of honor. The coffin, in the presence of comparatively few spectators, was carried to the Governor's room and placed upon a temporary bier. The coffin was of black walnut, with heavy silver handles. At the head was a portrait of Mr. Greeley, as he appeared in life, and a large chaplet of tube roses. The lid bore the inscription: "Horace Greeley, born Feb. 3, 1811; died Nov. 29, 1872," and was ornamented with festoons of natural fern leaves. At the head was the second inscription: "I know that my Redeemer liveth," and another at the foot, worked in violets: "The city mourns our loss."

Mr. Greeley lay with his left arm lying by his side, and his right across his breast. His face was emaciated and worn, utterly unlike that which his daily companions have been accustomed to see. His appearance was that of a man who had, after terrible sufferings, succumbed in a prolonged fight with the combined forces of mental and bodily anguish. Although the preparations for receiving the public were not completed until 9 o'clock, as early as 5 the square in front of the City Hall was occupied by thousands of men, women, and children, intent upon taking a farewell look at the face of the departed. Everywhere the utmost decorum prevailed. There was no jostling, no tumultuous haste, to obtain advantageous positions. A hush pervaded the entire assemblage, and each face wore the look of intense sadness. The multitude was formed in line and passed up, two by two, into the room where the body was lying in state.

One of the first men to approach the coffin was General John A. Dix. Among the many distinguished gentlemen in the room was Thurlow Weed, one of the oldest friends of Greeley. The old man sat near the head of the body, and seemed pleased to be questioned concerning the life and character of the deceased. He said he could not remember that Greeley ever referred to any youthful amusement. They had been young men together, and as such were often in each other's company. "Everybody" said Weed, "has hours of relaxation, but Greeley never played. I was as poor as he, and had the battle of life to fight as he had, and yet I always took relaxation. You see, we were of different temperaments. Looking back over Greeley's life, I think he showed as much unselfish ambition as any man that ever lived. His whole life was given to opposing injustice and oppression. His character was perfectly pure, for he had no vices that I knew of, and I was most intimate with him in all matters. He was fearless in the expression of his belief in what was right. His whole aim was to do good." When Mr. Weed approached the casket, he leaned over the body and gazed long and earnestly into the face of his former associate. He seemed deeply affected by the scene, and, after looking at the features of Mr. Greeley for some time, he leaned on the shoulder of a friend and left the room.

As the multitude filed by with uncovered heads, each was allowed a sufficient time to view the dead. Many showed a disposition to lag behind, despite the administered admonition of the gentlemen in charge, that there was no time to lose. There were many ladies who showed signs of emotion, some stopping to kiss the forehead of the deceased. As the dinner hour of working classes approached, the crowd awaiting admittance to the chamber of death became enormous. Laborers, who came down town in their working-clothes, gave one last look at the face of their cheery old friend. Working girls, of all ages, came from their factories and stores, and they were very properly allowed to pass in before men who were obliged to stand alone and await their turn. A passage was made in this way for all persons who were accompanied by ladies. Families, evidently from the country, came together, and the old folks could not restrain their tears as they looked in the face of the man who had, as it were, lived in their hearts for half a lifetime. It was also a noticeable fact that many negroes, both men and women, were in the line. The stream of people anxious to gaze upon the features of the dead continued undiminished until 10 o'clock this evening, when the Governor's room and City Hall were closed.

Probably fully fifty thousand persons viewed the body, and many thousands did not even [illegible] of the City Hall, the line extend- [illegible] and Ed- Fifth avenue to Fourteenth street, Fourteenth street to Broadway, Broadway to Hamilton ferry.

The draping of Dr. Chapin's church is being rapidly completed. The large arched entrances to the church from the street will be heavily draped with black muslin, looped up with heavy crape rosettes. The vestibule is also hung with muslin, and immediately over the door leading to the centre aisle will be suspended a large-sized portrait of the departed, which will have around it a deep border of crape. The interior of the church will be profusely draped with black cloth and crape, no white being used, with the exception of flowers. From the centre of the arched roof are hung broad folds of cloth festooned to the capitals of the pillars by large and massive crape rosettes. The front of the galleries will be also hung with black cloth, and the pillars, of which there are six on either side, will be wound round with the same sable emblems of woe. The pulpit, altar rail, and the whole of the handsome woodwork appertaining thereto will be handsomely draped with crape, while from carved pillars on either side of the pulpit, or reading desk, will be a shield composed of ivy, immortelle, tube-roses and other white flowers, bearing in its centre the words: "I Know that My Redeemer Liveth," wrought in crimson flowers. In front of the pulpit will be the motto: "It is Done," worked in flowers within a ground of white tube-roses, lilies, and camellias.

The catafalque will be composed of rich black velvet, profusely strewed with flowers and vines of ivy, and the steps directly in front of the altar will also be covered with the handsomest floral decorations that loving hands and hearts can furnish. It is said that a number of ladies of the *Tribune* Association have signified their intention to present magnificent floral offerings in the shape of an arch, which will stand nearly six feet from the ground, and bearing a suitable inscription or motto. Around the church will also be hung appropriate texts, while the organ will be completely covered with mourning drapery. The pew lately occupied by the illustrious dead has been appropriately dressed in crape, while from the wall is hung a heavy festoon of crape, caught up by heavy rosettes of the same material, and to-morrow will be placed in addition thereto vines, roses, and ivy, which will be gracefully entwined, and fall to the seat, where will be also strewed a profusion of flowers.

The National Democratic Committee have issued the following:

HEADQUARTERS OF THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE, NEW YORK, Dec. 3.

The Democratic National Convention did, in July, 1872, with an unanimity unprecedented in the history of the party, nominate as their candidate for office of President of the United States Horace Greeley, of New York. Six States cast their Electoral votes for him at the late election, and millions of men in other States where we failed of success testified their appreciation of his noble character and the great service he had rendered the country by voting our Electoral ticket. But Horace Greeley is dead, and the splendor of this political victory achieved by his opponents is now diminished by the sorrow which this sad event has cast upon the people, whom he loved, and who regarded him as one of the best, truest, and bravest of men. The lesson of his pure and blameless life will long remain impressed upon the age in which he lived. Every beat his heart was in sympathy with humanity in of its broadest form. He loved the Government; he loved his fellow-men; and the labors of his whole life were to elevate the condition of mankind. No struggle for liberty, civil or religious, was ever made on the surface of the earth, since his manhood began, with which he did not affectionately sympathize, and to which he failed to give faithful and powerful aid. Every day his life abounded with acts of charity, of forgiveness, and of love. Not his stricken family alone, but a stricken people, sorrow for a loss wholly irreparable and almost unparalleled by that of any other man.

The National Democratic Committee, in behalf of the great party who achieved honor by the faithful effort to elect him to the first office in the Government, will do all in their power to honor his name and memory.

(Signed) AUGUSTUS SCHELL,
Chairman National Democratic Executive Committee.

The New York Associated Press, to-day, adopted resolutions of sorrow at the death of Mr. Greeley, one of the original proprietors of the institution, eulogizing his life and labors, and expressive of sympathy with his orphaned children.

Mrs. John F. Cleveland, sister of Horace Greeley, is lying dangerously ill at her residence, in this city.

Citizens of Brooklyn have already started a subscription to raise $25,000 for the purpose of erecting a monument to the memory of Mr. Greeley.

Editors of newspapers throughout the country are requested to mail Ezra Cornell, at Cornell University, Ithica, N. Y., copies of their papers containing eulogies or their articles upon the death of Horace Greeley, to be comprised in a memorial volume for the library of said University, of which the deceased was one of the Trustees.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 3.—A large meeting of citizens was held last night to express sorrow at Mr. Greeley's death. The Mayor presided. Appropriate resolutions were adopted, and it was ordered that they be engrossed and sent to Mr. Greeley's family. A committee was appointed to select an orator to deliver an oration on the deceased.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 3.—The flags are at half-mast in honor of Horace Greeley. General sad heartfelt regret is expressed at the death of the great orator and statesman.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

DES MOINES, Iowa, Dec. 3.—At a full meeting of the members of the press of this city, held to-night, resolutions of respect were passed to the memory of Horace Greeley.

QUINCY.

Agitation of the Liquor Question.

QUINCY, Ill., Dec. 3.—The agitation of the question of enforcing the Sunday Liquor law is daily becoming warmer. A large and influential meeting of citizens was held at the Presbyterian Church, this evening, to consider the action of the City Council in rejecting an application for the enforcement of the ordinance. After several speeches, resolutions were unanimously adopted censuring the Council for cowardice, and calling upon it to reconsider its action. Among the speakers were several clergymen, including Father McGirr, of St. Peter's Church. There is little doubt that the question will be the main one at the next city election, when the Council will find their action condemned by three-fourths of the voters of the city.

Quincy has, thus far, happily escaped the epizootic.

THE WEATHER.

War Department Prognostications.

WAR DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER, DIVISION OF TELEGRAMS AND REPORTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF COMMERCE, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 3.—Probabilities—On the Lower Lakes, and thence over the Middle and Eastern States, northerly to westerly winds, clearing and cold weather, with increased pressure. In the Gulf and South Atlantic States, northwesterly to northeasterly winds, higher barometer, moderate temperature, and clear weather. In the Northwest and over the Upper Lakes, and thence to Missouri and Kentucky, cooler and partly cloudy weather, with steady barometer, and northwesterly winds veering to-morrow to southeasterly with diminishing pressure.

Warning signals continue at Buffalo, Rochester, and Oswego, and are ordered for Detroit, Toledo, and Cleveland.

The Horse Disease.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 3.—Diligent inquiry of large horse owners, and an examination of various large stables to-day, disclosed the fact that the epizootic has not yet developed here. There are a few cases of sickness at the St. Louis transfer stables, on Elm and Spruce streets, and a number of scattering cases in different parts of the city, but not enough to cause alarm. The weather is not favorable for a development of the disease, which, with the prompt treatment of horses now sick or showing symptoms, and the various preventive measures which have been adopted, leads to the hope that the disease will not become epizootic in this city. In East St. Louis, however, there are over one hundred cases reported in various stables of the transfer companies, and serious apprehension is felt that the disease will spread, and render all transfer and other horses unserviceable. Great care is being taken, however, and as soon as a horse shows any signs of sickness, he is [illegible] immediate treatment of a very mild form. No fatal cases have occurred.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 3.—The epizootic continues. But few teams are in use and a freight blockade is imminent.

The Secretary of the Louisiana Jockey Club contradicts the that report the epizootic prevails among the racers, and states that the races will be resumed on Saturday.

FIRES.

Destruction of Property in Various Places, Yesterday.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 3.—The passenger and freight depots, express office, hotel and other buildings at the Richmond and Lexington Junction, on the St. Louis, Kansas City & Northern Railroad, were burned last Thursday. The loss is about $25,000. A young man named Gordon was burned to death in the hotel.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 3.—A fire in the basement of the Bates House, early this morning, created a panic among the guests. The engines were hauled to the scene by the men in the absence of horses, and the fire was extinguished with no great loss.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

DETROIT, Dec. 3.—A St. Johns special of to-day says a serious fire broke out in a barn just in the rear of a row of wooden buildings, on the west side of Clinton avenue, this morning at 4 o'clock, destroying four wooden stores on the west side of the avenue, and very seriously damaging the fine three-story brick store of M. V. Brown & Bros., adjoining them on the south. The total loss is near $14,000. The following are the losses: M. V. Brown & Bros., on store, $2,000; on goods, $300; building fully insured; no insurance on goods. Miss Darling, on millinery goods, $300; no insurance. Jacob Brown, store, $2,000; insured $1,000. William Tripp, billiard-saloon, $1,700, insured $900; P. L. Van Corsant, $2,000, insured $800; Podley & Potter, harness-makers, $1,500, insured $1,000; J Gibbs, store, $1,800, insured, 1,000; Leland & Watkins, bakers, $500, no insurance; L. W. Gibbs, Store, $1,800, no insurance. The fire was evidently the work of an incendiary.

CLINTON, La., Dec. 3.—The large basement barn belonging to J. O. Bennett, Union Grove Township, Whitesides Co., Ill., was burned last Saturday night, with 100 tons of hay, oats, wheat and a large and valuable assortment of farming utensils. It is supposed to be the work of an incendiary. Loss $7,000 to $10,000; insurance $1,600.

MELBOURNE, Australia, Dec. 3.—A conflagration in Auckland, New Zealand, destroyed buildings and other property to the value of $250,000.

FRANCE.

Thiers Declines to Resign—A More Quiet Feeling in the Country.

PARIS, Dec. 3.—The determination of Thiers and his Cabinet not to resign has had a quieting influence on the country, and it is now tranquil.

Picard is mentioned for Minister of the Interior, *vice* Le Franc.

The *Republique Francais* says that in the event of a defeat on the organization of a Committee, under Dufaure's motion, on Thursday, it is possible that Thiers' supporters on the Left will be withdrawn from the Assembly.

The Assembly will divide into two great parties, the Left and the Right, for the election on Thursday of the Committee of Thirty proposed by Minister Dufaure.

The Ministry of the Interior was tendered by the President to M. Dufaure, but he declined it.

The tombs of General Cavaignac and M. Bandin, in Montmartre Cemetery, were decorated yesterday in the presence of 300 persons. The demonstration was quietly conducted, and there was no interference on the part of the police.

New York Insurance Companies.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Although but five New York City Insurance Companies have suspended since the Boston fire, there are twelve others that have failed thus far to make up their impairment of capital. These are the Niagara, Hanover, Standard, Republic, Fireman's, Lorillard, Knox, National, Commerce, New York, and Yonkers. The Market has reinsured its risks, and, after closing business, will be able to return about 95 per cent to its stockholders. The amount that the other three suspended companies will return cannot yet be estimated. The friends of the International have resolved to form a new Company. The Niagara has reduced its capital from $1,000,000 to $500,000, and the Hanover from $400,000 to $250,000. The twelve companies referred to above promise to make up the impairment before January 1.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The State Superintendent of Insurance is investigating the affairs of the companies in this city, in connection with their losses by the Boston fire. Nearly all are found in a healthy condition. A few have reduced their capital stock, and all have advanced their rates.

Railroad News.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind, Dec. 3.—The Directors of the Toledo & Louisville Railroad Company met here to-day, and let the contract for the construction of the connecting link of the Lake Michigan & Louisville Railroad, from North Vernon to Newcastle, 65 miles, to H. C. Lord, Henry Crawford, Joel F. Richardson, and their associates. The contract stipulates that the road shall be completed April 1, 1874. The price is not stated.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—The transfer of the franchises of the Gila Railroad to the Texas & Pacific Railroad Company was consummated at San Diego to-day. The Texas Company gets all the rights of the other Company and 9,000 acres of land in Pueblo and San Diego Counties, and 800 acres of water front in San Diego City.

The Modoc Indian Troubles.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—Reports from the scene of the Modoc Indian troubles, state that all the settlers on Link River were massacred. The Indians have 80 warriors in the field. Thirty-five soldiers from Fort Klamath have gone to fight them. Companies are organizing in the northern part of the State to take the field.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—Later news from Ashland, Oregon, says the settlers are active in their war on the Modocs. Fifty Klamath Indians, well armed, under command of Captain Terra, are on the war-path against the Modocs, and fourteen whites armed under the command of Captain Kelly are in pursuit. No furthermurders are reported.

The Michigan Fruit Growers.

DETROIT, Dec. 3.—The annual meeting of the State Pomological Society was held at Grand Rapids, to-day. The attendance was large. A. S. Dyckman, of South Haven, was elected President, and J. P. Thompson, of Grand Rapids, Secretary. The President's address shows that agriculture in Michigan is declining, and that horticulture is more successfully and profitably taking its place. The State will be asked to aid this Society.

Utah Items.

SALT LAKE, Dec. 3.—It is stated that a certain Federal official, once requested by the President to resign, has been using his position to attempt to levy blackmail upon foreign capitalists interested in the Utah mines. Some exposes are being made of the way some Eastern companies owning mines in the Territory are humbugged by the managers and agents, among them the mining company of Cincinnati.

The Winnemucca Mine, in Bingham Canyon, was sold to-day, to an English company, for $400,000.

Obituary.

ELGIN, Ill., Dec. 3.—The Rev. N. C. Clark, a well-known and highly respected citizen, died in this city to-day, aged 71. He has resided here since 1835, and was greatly esteemed for his Christian purity.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—John R. Briggs, formerly of Chicago, who has been Stationery Clerk of the House of Representatives for some years, died here to-day of consumption.

Ocean Steamship News.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 3.—The steamer Scandinavian, from Liverpool, has arrived.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Arrived, steamship Olympia from Trieste, and America from Bremen.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 3.—The steamship Abyssinia, from New York, has arrived.

Hymeneal.

Dec. 3.—Horace B. Hobart, [illegible] *Mail*, was married [illegible] the bride's United States funds when special cotton agent in Texas in 1867. From investigations in the Treasury Department, it was discovered that the Governor, when he made his report of his official action, transmitted only a small moiety of the cotton tax collected by him from several large firms in Galveston. This discovery was made on application of these firms for a refunding of this tax, under the act of Congress and Treasury regulations recently promulgated. The extent of the Governor's embezzlement is said to be very large. The proof consists mainly of documentary evidence, and is alleged to be perfectly conclusive. Much to Warmoth's chagrin, the statute of limitations in his case did not commence to run until 1870 in Texas, owing to a special provision of the act of Congress readmitting that State into the Union. A warrant for the Governor's arrest will soon be here from Texas.

A ROUGH EXPERIENCE.

A German Emigrant Arrested Without Cause, Sentenced to the Bridewell, and Imprisoned There Twenty-three Days—His Family Become Inmates of the Poor House.

A German emigrant, named S. Bilkey, on his way to fame and fortune in the West, arrived in this city on the morning of Oct. 20, accompanied by his wife and two children. A balance of $4.50 was all that remained in the family exchequer. They put up at the Union Hotel, No. 100 West Water street, and the following morning the father went out in search of employment. Wandering along that part of North avenue lying around Canal street, he breathed the air of freedom, his lungs were full of the exhilirating atmosphere, and he sailed proudly along, not caring a fig for the conscript laws of his native country. Here he was a freeman. No enforced service could be exacted from him. The future seemed bright, and the present was not wholly devoid of pleasure. He gazed upon the reconstructed city with wonder and admiration, not unmixed with joy, and thought how good a thing it was to be in a country where rapid rebuilding was possible. Presently he observed two men beating a policeman. It was his first introduction to American liberty, his maiden experience. He stopped and looked. The policeman's cap was knocked off. Like the polite German and the future good American citizen that he was, he picked up the hat and held it until the rowdies had retreated, and the policeman turned his attention to him. With that ability to blunder which characterizes policemen in this young Republic as well as in the despotic monarchies of Europe, the officer arrested him, and arraigned him before Chicago's legal luminary, Mr. Banyon. The unhappy man could not speak or understand a word of English. He could only swear in the vernacular of Goethe. Banyon was as ignorant of German as of law. Bilkey was fined $10 and costs, put into the Black Maria, wheeled to the Bridewell, and initiated into the mysteries of brick making. He did not know what the matter of the whole proceeding was, but concluded it was a way they had in this land of the free and domicile of the brave. He was incarcerated for twenty-three days, during which he endured exquisite torture about his family, who were without money, strangers in a strange land. His wife was nearly crazy. She was out of cash and out of a husband. The children wept for their father, and the entire family began to entertain an exalted opinion of the United States in general, and of Chicago in particular. After six days' anxious search, during which Mr. Morset, proprietor of the hotel, kept the family for nothing, Bilkey was given up for lost. The dark and dirty river was pointed to as the solution of the mystery. He was believed to be lying at full length in a shroud of mud on its oozy bottom. Then the Poor House was sought as a last refuge, and all the cheerful prospects and domestic happiness of the discouraging immigrants who had crossed the wild waves to find a habitation in this supposed better land, were immured within its gloomy precincts. The world went on as before, but there was no peace or comfort for the widow and the fatherless until one fine morning, when the absent one returned, and was welcomed as one thatrose from the dead. They all united in pronouncing this a great and glorious country.

A day after, they were furnished by the County Agent with passes to Goodenough, Ill. They shook the mud off their shoes, as a testimony against Chicago, and left with a fervent prayer that, in other parts of the State, personal liberty is a little more secure, as provided in the Constitution. Bilkey found employment on a farm, and is doing well.

A CLOSE CALL.

Midnight Adventures of a Merchants' Policeman—How He Came Near Being Murdered While in the Discharge of His Duty.

Officer Pundt, of the Hamlin private police force narrowly escaped being murdered last night. Shortly after 12 o'clock, while patrolling his beat, as a faithful watchman should, he observed a man attempting to break in at the rear entrance to a fur store on West Randolph street, between Canal and Clinton streets. He crept stealthily toward the burglar, and had the come-along on his wrist before the fellow knew exactly what had happened. Pundt was about leading his prisoner to the street, when he was set upon by two men whom he had not before seen. They were evidently confederates of the cracksman, and had secreted themselves in a dark corner close to where he was at work, in order to protect him in the event of his discovery. They knocked the officer down, and beat and kicked him without stint; but he pluckily held on to his prisoner in spite of their fast-descending blows. One of the men then drew a revolver, and fired two shots at the officer. This sudden and unexpected attack caused him to let go his hold of the burglar, when he and his two companions made their escape. Pundt did not discover how close he had been to death's door until he went to the Madison Street Station to report his adventure. He then became aware that one ball had perforated his hat, and that the other had barned a large-sized hole in his coat. He is certain that he can identify the three desperadoes if he should be fortunate enough ever to meet them again.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

The celebrated Marye's Heights, near Fredericksburg, Va., is offered for sale. The farm contains 220 acres, and was the scene of one of the most bloody battles during the last war.

—The Trustees of Columbia College, New York City, have very recently purchased a splendid site on Washington Heights, to which it is proposed to remove the College. The plot of ground comprises nine acres, known as the old Lewis estate.

—George Hobbs, who appears to have been but a few weeks out of the Illinois State Prison, was last week lodged in the Michigan State Prison, to remain eight years. His stole $40, and got his ticket in short order.

—W. J. Stillman says they have discovered that the "Venus de Milo," which we all go to see in the Louvre, is not the "Venus de Milo," after all, but a Greek statue of Minerva, and that the wretched Frenchman made it into a Venus with a Grecian bend by tipping it forward and putting a wooden wedge behind it. It is too much.

—On the 10th day of June next, 1873, fifty years will have elapsed since the first steamer came up the Mississippi River and landed at Fort Snelling. It was the steamer Virginia. Mrs. General Van Cleve, now residing at Minneapolis, is probably the only woman now living who witnessed the arrival of this steamer.

—The Colorado Central Road now extends from Denver westward to Blackhawk, a distance of thirty-eight miles. What is known as the mountain division will be extended to Central by the 1st of June next, with a branch to Georgetown by the 1st of January following, thus opening to the facilities of traffic the rich mining counties of Clear Creek and Gilpin.

—The passengers by the Baltic express that great indebtedness to Senator Sumner, who relieved the monotony and perils of the trip by most genial encouragement, drawing upon his vast fund of information at all times for the entertainment of his fellow-travelers. His proposal to raise a fund for the ship's crew was introduced at the dinner table by the most pathetic and touching appeals on the Indians & Illinois Central Railroad point where the road Montezuma, Indiana, is, and the large bridge crosses the Wabash Ri are being laid in a westerly direction, and it, with the continuation of Douglas County's already completed through the road, will be grading on the road is all finished, save to get out in a week or ten days. [illegible] new ties and fish bar plates are all [illegible] and placed along the line of track, and it [illegible] ected to have the track laid in thirty days. [illegible] section is completed, there will be [illegible] o miles of track laid on this road. [illegible] re has been considerable excitement in [illegible], for several days, over a series of ex- [illegible] and a rumbling noise heard along the [illegible] e of the streets a short time since. An inspection of several houses along the route taken by the strange vibrations has disclosed the fact that their walls and ceilings have been greatly cracked, and, in two instances, plastering was thrown down from the ceiling. Many persons are firm in the belief that the explosion, which occurred on the 18th ult., was produced by a leakage in a gas-main; while others advance the opinion that it was caused by gunpowder in a tunnel under an adjacent street; but the majority of persons who heard the explosion and felt the trembling of the earth are firm in their conviction that it was the shock of an earthquake.

THE GREAT DIAMOND FRAUD.

How a Monster Swindle Was Worked Up—A $600,000 Robbery.

San Francisco papers of the 26th and 27th ult. contained full official reports on the great diamond fraud, with copious additional particulars of the manner in which it was worked up and imposed upon the credulity of some of the shrewdest financiers on the Pacific coast. It is one of the most remarkable swindles ever perpetrated; and was near being one of the most disastrous. In thirty days more, but, for the complete and timely exposé of Clarence King, no less than $12,000,000 of the stock would have been put upon the market, a large proportion of it upon the Atlantic side of this continent and in Europe, where it is reported, the great house of Rothschild was ready to place some of it. So confident were some of the leading parties in San Francisco of the value of the alleged discoveries that extraordinary precautions were used to prevent the locality being known, and the sum of their own expenditures to secure the ground is probably not under $600,000 in gold. It is most astonishing that leading citizens of recognized shrewdness in all money matters should have been so duped, and that the engineer who was employed to investigate the alleged diamond fields should also have fallen into the trap set for him by most adroit and unconscionable villains. As yet the public cannot tell who were the deceivers and who the deceived, but it is known that a most elaborate swindle has been perpetrated; that $20,000 worth of small rough diamonds were purchased in London and used in salting the ground selected for the operations of the claim speculators; and that they were working up the diamond fever adroitly with a view to launching their stock on the market when a United States geologist detected the fraud and blew it to atoms. The following account of their manoeuvres is from the San Francisco *Chronicle* of the 27th:

Now that the whole thing has been officially declared a fraud, it is quite interesting to know how the job was put up and all about it. Janin, perhaps, is not criminally to blame, although his reputation as a geologist and mining engineer will have received a blow from which it will be hard for him to recover. His first connection with the affair seems to have been in New York last spring, where he was approached by Harpending, General Dodge, and Arnold, the "discoverer" of the wonderful Goleonda. They told him that Arnold and Slack had made two trips to the diamond fields, securing in the first instance a bag of precious stones valued at $1,000,000, which had been secured and deposited in the Bank of California; and in the second a bag of gems valued at $250,000, the latter being deposited in the banking house of Wm. B. Duncan & Co., in New York.

Besides all this, Janin was taken to the private residence of Tiffany, the great New York jeweler, who told him, in presence of Sam Barlow, General McClellan, and other parties, that the estimated value of the gems in Tiffany's safe was $250,000. This statement, coming as it did from so reliable a source, could not fail to disarm whatever suspicion there was in Janin's mind, and the consequence was he was most effectually roped in. Harpending and Dodge told Janin that Arnold received $100,000 for his first trip, and by sundry plausible statements they induced Janin to visit the diamond fields. These gentlemen promised Janin that he should have all he would to examine the ground and investigate its geological formation, and when once he reached the spot they kept him employed in surveying and making mining laws for a whole week. Soon after, when he began to prospect, Dodge and Harpending hurried him away, against the promise, and had him make his first report in New York, in which he says:

"I had only time to gather samples from those portions of the 160-acre block of ground which are marked on the accompanying plat. At each one of the points numbered diamonds or rubies were found, as per inclosed samples. These points were over one-third of a mile distant from the original discovery, and show a very large area to be diamond and ruby-bearing. The samples were taken from the surface. It is probable that at a greater depth larger diamonds would be found. The amount of prospecting done was insignificant, and does not enable me to form a judgment as to the extent or limits either of the very rich or only moderately rich grounds. I have already shown that it requires only one-half acre of the very rich ground to repay the purchase money, and also that if the whole 160 acre tract will produce gravel of an average value of 1 per cent of the value of the one and a half tons washed ($6,000 per ton), it would further an immense value in diamonds and rubies. I consider this a wonderfully rich discovery, and one that will prove extremely profitable; that while I did not have time enough to make investigations which would have answered very important questions, I do not doubt that further prospecting will result in finding diamonds over a greater area than is as yet proved to be diamond bearing; and finally, that I consider any investment of $40 per share, or at the rate of $4,000,000 for the whole property, a safe and attractive one."

While Janin was being induced to join the enterprise and to make a professional survey of the ground, the projectors of the scheme were at work in a new direction. General Sam Barlow set a ball in motion to secure a United States patent to the tract, and also legislation directly looking to the development of the diamond mines. He drew up the celebrated "placer mining bill" and gave it into the hands of that able and astute legislator, General Benjamin F. Butler, of Massachusetts, to engineer through Congress. Ben's wonderful sagacity and a thousand shares of the Lent-Harpending diamond stock, to him in hand paid, enabled him to see the great advantage this bill would be to the country, and he finally secured its passage without difficulty. General Butler's stock is not worth much just now, but then that is not his fault.

Before Janin went in the first time he was paid $2,500 for his services by the Company. This was a mere professional fee, and is not believed to have been intended to secure a favorable report. Besides the $2,500, he was given the privilege of purchasing 1,000 shares of the stock at $10 a share in currency, which he did purchase in New York after his return from the fields. This stock he at once sent to San Francisco and sold at its full value,—$40 a share, in gold,—thus clearing over $30,000 by the transaction. Whatever suspicion of the integrity or lack of confidence in the professional ability of Janin may grow out of this matter, it is evident he has been made the dupe of others. His reputation, though, has suffered a blow from which he can hardly hope to recover, and from which $30,000 is hardly an adequate recompense.

Next to Arnold, of whose guilt there can hardly be a reasonable doubt, Harpending and General Dodge are the most strongly suspected of complicity in the fraud. Harpending and Dodge were both in New York, as we have related, when they secured the services of Janin. Nay more, Harpending was in London when the stones were said to have been purchased there of Pittar, Levison & Co. and Keller, the diamond men. These facts, in connection with other things which have come to light, have caused a grave suspicion to fall upon both these persons. General Dodge was perhaps ignorant of the fraud in the beginning, but it is now believed that he knew of the sell long before the expose by Clarence King, and improved the opportunity to get all his money back that he put into it. He was heard to say here before he went East that when General Colton came back he would bring bad news, and soon after left for the East, as is believed, to see Arnold and get his money back before the thing should explode. A photograph of Harpending was sent a week ago to London to Pittar, Levison & Co. for identification as the man who purchased the brilliants. If they identify Mr. Harpending as one of the purchasers, things may be made warm for him.

Clarence King, United States Geologist, whose researches on this coast have won for him an enviable reputation among scientific men, not long since made an official investigation of the belt of the country in which the alleged diamond fields were located, and, when the news of the discovery had been thoroughly disseminated and the question was assuming a serious aspect, he determined that he would make an official visit to the fields on his own account, and without the knowledge of any of the interested parties. He entered the diamond fields with one of his surveying parties, known as the Fort Bridger Division, and made a careful estimate of the country. After satisfying himself that the whole thing was a fraud, he hastened to San Francisco, to lay his astounding discovery before the Directors. He knew no one of them personally, and did not know where any of them lived. He did know Janin, and him he hunted up at 12 o'clock the very night he arrived here. Janin was in bed at the time, but King waked him up and conveyed the disagreeable information. Janin would not believe it at first, but the geologist sat down, and, before morning, convinced him.

Next day they went together and saw Mr. Ralston. This gentleman poo-pooed the idea that there was fraud, but he finally consented to permit King to make a report. Then the latter made the report which was printed yesterday, and which, it will be seen, bears date Nov. 11.

The report was so comprehensive, so convincing, that the Directors' faces turned white when they heard it read. They at once resolved to ferret the thing out, and for that purpose General Colton's expedition was fitted out, and Mr. King kindly consented to accompany it, with Mr. Janin. The whole matter was kept strictly private, not even the principal shareholders knowing anything of it. The only persons that knew of the explosion were King, Janin, Ralston, Lent, and Colton, with the two who accompanied him on his trip, General Bost and E. M. Pry. The feelings of Messrs. Ralston and Lent during the absence of Colton's party may be better imagined than described. They had King's report in their hands, and they knew if that was verified they were out together nearly $500,000! Yet they kept their own counsel, and it was even said Lent was quite cheerful.

The diamond field is located near Vermilion Creek, forty-five miles from Black Butte station, directly on one of the prominent geodetic stations of the geological survey. It is at the north base of a pine-clad ridge that runs east and west, north of Brown's Hole, and is in Colorado Territory, eight miles south of the Wyoming line. At this point is a *mesa*, about 7,500 feet high, gently sloping to the north, and cut by canons, five or six hundred feet deep, which carry off the drainage of the pine ridge into Vermilion Creek. This *mesa* has a comparatively smooth surface, which is broken only by two masses of sandstone, which rise above its level. Some of the valleys near this spot are charming in appearance and abound in the finest of game, such as deer, elk, grizzlies, etc., though the climate, save in sheltered spots, is not one of the finest in the world. The summers are cool and the winters very cold, and hurricanes sweep over the country about two-thirds of the year. The diamond field is not located in an Indian country, though the straggling Utes occasionally pass over and near it. These Indians are nominally at peace, and would not trouble white men, unless a good opportunity offered.

SURVIVORS OF THE MISSOURI.

Distressing Tales of Their Sufferings at Sea.

From the New York World, Dec. 1.

Yesterday morning the Morro Castle arrived from Havana via Nassau, bringing from the latter place the four survivors, John Freaner, first assistant engineer; David A. North, third assistant engineer; Charles Sinclair, oiler; and Charles Conway, fireman, who had been drifting about at sea for eight days after they parted with the Missouri, and suffering from the pangs of hunger and thirst, and witnessing the deaths of their comrades daily. John Freaner, who resides at 118 Charlton street, gives the following particulars: "As soon as we got the boat freed from the other davit nine of us who had been holding on got into her, although she was full of water. When she was being lowered there were almost thirty people in her; but the heavy sea soon carried them away, and they fell out of her. There was a fearful sea, and it kept breaking over us for three days. I wish to say that Calmer's boat could have held twice as many people as were in her, and it was heart-rending to see those in her refuse to admit the women who were floating within an oar's reach. Two men were holding on to the keel of another boat, and they would not listen to their cries. Our boat was too far off to render any assistance. We lost the rudder, and half full of water she was unmanageable. For the first three days we suffered fearfully from hunger and thirst. We had not even a biscuit or bean; anything there was in her was washed away when being launched. On the evening of the third day we came in sight of a sloop—a fisherman's I guess—and we pulled with all our strength so as to get within hail